

THE FOURTH RED CROSS ROLL CALL

The Fourth Roll Call is by this time well under way, and reports from all over the country are most gratifying. People are showing willingness to renew their membership in this great humanitarian organization which stood back of soldiers and their families during the war, and is now broadening its field to aid civilians.

Last year over ten million people in the United States joined the Red Cross and many more members are expected this year.

Do you know that the Red Cross is feeding and clothing eleven million orphans in Europe? Do you know that there are 26,000 disabled soldiers in the hospitals in the United States, whose lives are made easier by the help of the Red Cross?

If you are not interested in your Sikeston Red Cross, join the organization which is helping the children and soldiers.

Booths will be down town on Sunday to renew memberships and on Sunday every house in Sikeston will be solicited so that everyone will have an opportunity to renew their membership.

The following are the workers in the four wards:

WARD I—Workers will meet at Dr. Dunaway's office.

Dr. Dunaway, Chairman, Mrs. Marvin McMullin, Miss Burnice Tanner, Mrs. Chas. Banton, Mrs. J. W. Black, John Chaney, T. A. Wilson, Joe Matthews, Clarence Felker, Prof. M. C. Thomas, Charles Dover, Ranney Applegate, Byron Bowman, Mrs. Levi Cook, Ralph Anderson, Miss Audrey Chaney, Miss Leita Lindley, Randall Wilson, Mr. A. C. Haffner, Miss Susie Hay, Miss Gretchen Dunaway and Charles Prow.

WARD II—Workers will meet at J. W. Back's office.

Harry Young, Chairman, Hal Galleger, Bill Sikes, Mrs. Wm. Sikes, Mrs. Frank Smith, Margaret Shanks, Mrs. J. H. Stubbs, Miss Hazel Stubbs, Caly Stubbs, Mrs. Kready, Mrs. T. V. Miller, Mrs. Albert Shields, Mrs. J. E. Smith, Miss Marjorie Smith, Mrs. Harry Young, John Russell, Mrs. Frank Smith, Harry Smith, Paul Anderson, Miss Allie Howard, C. C. White, Mrs. C. C. White, Mrs. Gord Dill, Mrs. Emanuel Schorle, Mrs. A. H. Barnes and Mrs. Grover Baker.

WARD III—Workers will meet at the Malone Theater.

Dr. E. J. Malone, Chairman, Mrs. Frank Blanton, Mrs. Archie Barnett, Mrs. Will Malone, Mrs. Earl Malone, Mrs. E. J. Malone, Sr., Miss Helen Thomas, Mrs. Roy Johnson, Mrs. Lee Bowman, Mrs. Priddy, Mrs. Forrest Hobbs, Mrs. Dan McCoy, Miss Irene Hollister, Miss Rebecca Pierce, W. O. Scott, Theodore Slack, Ruskin Cook, M. L. Clayton, Mrs. Ruskin Cook, Mrs. G. A. Dempster, W. A. Goodpa-ture, Gus Zacher, Fred Schorle, L. D. Randol, Miss Eva Carter and Jas. Kevill.

WARD IV—Workers will meet at the City Hall.

W. H. Tanner, Chairman, Mrs. Murray Klein, Mrs. A. C. Sikes, A. C. Sikes, Gladys Kendall, Miss Anna Randol, Howard Morrison, Murray Klein, Jim Macabee, Mrs. James Macabee, Carl Denman, Ed Fuchs, Miss Etta Wilson, Mrs. Wm. Pate, Sam Bowman, J. N. Ross, C. H. Denman, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stubbs, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Loeb, Harry Dover, Dr. Stewart, Mrs. Charles Pinnell, Alex B. Thompson, Mrs. J. C. Lescher and Loomis Mayfield.

Street workers meet at J. W. Black's office.

Mrs. Haas, Chairman, Mrs. Joe Stubbs, Mrs. Wm. Sikes, Marjorie Smith, Burnice Tanner, Mrs. Marvin McMullin Helen Thomas.

County workers: Miner District—Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Baker, Mr. Louis Baker.

King Highway North: Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer.

McMullin: Marion Jewell, Chairman.

Himmell: Aulton Cravens, Chairman.

A second fire alarm Tuesday morning sounded about 10:30 called the fire fighters to the home of Mrs. Bettie Marshall, 504 Ranney Avenue. The blaze was caused from an over-heated stove, which set fire to the wall paper around the flue opening. A large portion of the ceiling was ablaze when Miss Kate Austin discovered the fire. The alarm was turned in but Miss Austin and Mrs. Marshall formed a bucket brigade and had the flames under control when help arrived on the scene.

MISSOURI LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES ORGANIZE

Jefferson City, Mo., November 16.—The legislative committees appointed by Gov. Gardner last week to settle with the State Auditor and Treasurer and to visit the various state institutions and report to the new Legislature upon their present condition and needs for the future, met here today and organized.

State Senator Thomas J. Lysaght of St. Joseph is chairman of the Auditing Committee, and the two members of the House are D. L. Bales of Shannon and Thomas B. Hodges of Warren. This committee commences work this evening. James L. Settle of Platte County was elected secretary of the committee.

The committee to visit the institutions is composed of State Senator Joseph H. Brogan of St. Louis, chairman, and Representatives C. L. Ferguson of Ripley and William Turbett of Cole, Wm. J. Kamp of St. Louis was named secretary. This committee will commence visiting the institutions Thursday of the present week, but the institutions will not be notified in advance of the coming of the committee, lest preparations should be made therefor. The committee wants to look over the institutions as they exist from day to day.

H. E. ALEXANDER NAMED REFEREE

St. Louis, Nov. 17.—Harry E. Alexander of Cape Girardeau, Mo., today was appointed by Judge Faris as Referee in Bankruptcy for the South-eastern Missouri District, to succeed Oscar A. Knehan. The latter's term will expire about November 23.

The appointment of Alexander is for two years.

SOME UNION LABOR GRAFT AND CRIME IS EXPOSED

For several weeks an investigation has been going on in New York City, which has brought to the surface startling conditions of graft and crime directly connected with the activities of labor leaders and agitators in the building trades.

The New York Evening World announces that in an independent investigation it has obtained proof that the bomb explosion in Wall Street on September 16th, which killed 30 persons, was set off by labor agitators who intended to kill the workmen who were affiliated with a rival group.

The full story as being brought out by the legislative investigating committee is a most amazing one of extortion and criminal domination by the head of a labor organization. Many large building contractors have testified that in order to get workmen to carry out their contracts they had to pay large sums of money to Robert P. Brindell, President of the Building Trades Council.

It has been testified repeatedly that contractors who refused to pay tribute to Brindell met with all kinds of labor troubles, frequently having their workmen called off on strike. It was testified that in some instances Brindell demanded as much as \$25,000 cash before he would permit union workmen to take jobs on large contracts. This wholesale graft added immensely to the cost of building and all construction work in New York. A grand jury has now taken up the investigation and bench warrants have been issued for a number of those implicated.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

One strawberry roan horse about 9 years old and about 16 hands high, weight about 1100 pounds fat and in good condition.

One brownish colored mare mule about 10 years old and about 15 hands high, with a blur in one eye. Blocky type.

One blue or mouse colored horse mule about 15 hands high and about 5 years old. This mule is of the rangy type.

The above stock disappeared from our farm in Big Opening on the night of the 14th inst. Will pay all charges for taking care of same, and will appreciate any information leading to their recovery.—Frank Shanks & Son. 2t.

Ernest Arterburn returned to Lake Village, Ark., the first of the week to get his car. He expects to remain in Sikeston the greater part of the winter.

OUR SPECIAL SALE FOR Spot Cash

Giving 20 Per Cent Off
in Dry Goods

is still in force as advertised November 2nd. We need and must have cash; for this reason the prices do not apply to charge accounts.

Special Sale of Outing and Gingham, While it Lasts, at 18c Net

Men's Shoes Still at a Sacrifice

For prices see our show window; representing a reduction of 20 to 30 per cent net as marked on tickets.



Ladies' and Children's Shoes

Having sold out a large quantity, we still offer three to four thousand pair at a reduction of 20 per cent.



On Ladies' Ready-to-Wear we now give a discount of 20 per cent for cash. This does not apply to charge accounts.

In our Clothing Department everything has been reduced 20 per cent as per prices indicated on each garment. Don't miss this opportunity.

We made ample provision through our efficient and ever courteous sales force to see that every customer will receive the required attention and that all those wishing to take advantage of this sacrifice sale shall not leave our emporium dissatisfied.



X. CAVERNO TO ATTEND BUREAU CONVENTION

Maryville, Mo., November 16.—The next meeting of the Executive Board of the Missouri Federation of Farm Bureaus will be held December 5 at Indianapolis, Ind., at the same time that the convention of the American Federation of Farm Bureaus is held. Those from Missouri who will attend are: John R. Evans, Maryville; Geo. C. Colburn, Harrisonville; Mrs. Chas. Schutler, Farmington; P. E. Donnell, Waco; George B. Safferson, Palmyra; Chester H. Gray, Nevada; Xenophon Caverno, Canalou; R. W. Brown, Carrollton. Legislation of interest to the Missouri farmers will be discussed at this time and measures which the farmers are seeking to have passed will be prepared in a program to present to the Legislature. Special efforts will be made this year to secure the passage of a "truth in fabric" bill so that persons will know when they are buying woolen goods.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING

The Sikeston Chamber of Commerce was called together in special session Monday, November 15, 1920 by President L. M. Stallcup at the hour of 7:45 p. m.

After a brief and open discussion from the floor of the proposed resolution in regard to road funds for Kingshighway, a copy of which is on file herein, it was moved by J. W. Black that the proposed resolution be adopted. The motion was duly seconded and adopted.

Upon motion of Dr. L. O. Rodes, duly seconded, the chair appointed J. W. Black, I. H. Dunaway, T. A. Wilson, C. H. Denman and D. B. Kevill, a committee of five to get the members of the Chamber to accompany them to the County Court of Scott County with the resolution above mentioned and to urge the Court to act in accordance therewith and to investigate the report of interest diversion from the Special Road Fund. Upon the further motion of Dr. L. O. Rodes, duly seconded and carried, the secretary was instructed to send copies of the said resolution to the State and Federal Highway Commissions.

And thereupon, Robert W. Nafe tendered in open meeting his resignation from the post of secretary. President L. M. Stallcup informed the Chamber of a joint meeting of the Executive and Finance Committees at which the secretary's resignation was discussed and informed the Chamber of the recommendation of the joint committees to pay the secretary half time on the remainder of his contract with the Chamber and to accept his resignation. After an open discussion of the proposed resignation from the floor it was moved by C. F. Bruton, duly seconded, that the Chamber accept the recommendation of the two committees. After a call for the question the Chamber voted in favor of Mr. Bruton's motion. And thereupon on the motion of Dr. L. O. Rodes, duly seconded, the Chamber voted the president authority to settle with Mr. Nafe.

After a general discussion of the affairs of the Chamber in which the idea of keeping the Chamber of Commerce active and going was championed by a large majority the meeting was duly adjourned.

The following are the minutes of the previous meeting of November 8, 1920:

The Sikeston Chamber of Commerce was called to order in regular meeting by President L. M. Stallcup, Monday, November 8, 1920 at the hour of 8:10 p. m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Upon motion of Emory Matthews, duly seconded, the Chamber voted to accept the resolution offered by the City of St. Charles and the secretary was instructed to fill out the blanks properly and send the said resolution to St. Charles.

The Constitution Committee reported changes in the present constitution which were read by the secretary and were laid aside until the next meeting to be voted upon.

After a general discussion of advertising the City of Sikeston through news items in the St. Louis newspapers, it was suggested that the secretary make arrangements to send news items from Sikeston to St. Louis papers. Upon motion of Dr. Stewart the Chamber voted to instruct the secretary to prepare a resolution to the County Court, the Federal Highway and State Highway commissions to set aside the present road building contract on Kingshighway and that the funds from the \$750,000 bond issue be used for permanent road improvement and that said resolution be read and voted upon at the next meeting.

Secretary's report was read and adopted.

Upon the suggestion of John Young, the President called the next meeting for the hour of 7:30 p. m. on the regular day.

Meeting was duly adjourned.

MISS BERGMAN GAVE CHAFING DISH PARTY

Miss Mary Bergman entertained a number of her friends at her home at 1443 Bessie street, with a chafing dish party Saturday evening. The party also attended the dance given at the Ideal on Broadway. Those present were Lorenz Fisher, Bergman Snyder and Mary Bergman of this city, A. J. Moore, Misses Helen Welsh and Lillian Kendall of Sikeston.—Southeast Missourian.

GUARDS BLOCK ESCAPE OF FOUR PRISONERS

Jefferson City, Mo., Nov. 15.—Four convicts, two lifers and two sentenced for twenty-five years, made an attempt to escape from the state prison here this afternoon but were frustrated in their attempt by W. J. Williams and Chas. Gaslosser, guards.

Gaslosser was hit over the head with a bottle by the convicts in a scuffle for his gun and in the fight which ensued Williams was shot in the breast. The quartette was stopped shortly they left their cells.

Earl Hunter, a lifer of St. Louis, was shot in the head with a shot gun but it is thought that he is not seriously wounded.

Prison authorities report this as being the first attempt to break jail by convicts since 1905.

MAN AND LION STAGE ACTUAL FIGHT; FORMER GETTING WORST OF IT

Quite a number of people who went into a sideshow of the Howe circus here last Friday afternoon to see what they supposed would be a "make-believe" combat between a lusty lion and his trainer were treated to more thrills than their money called for; they saw a real fight, and in which the untamable beast of the forest came out first-best.

As related, when the time arrived for the scene to be enacted, the lion trainer, Capt. Paul Moorman, entered the cage containing the big beast and drawing his revolver attempted to fire the same as a means of agitating the animal; the revolver failed to fire but the big beast got busy just the same and springing upon his trainer knocked the latter down and chewed up the right arm considerably besides lacerating the flesh in the man's side. Circus attendants who chanced to be nearby at the time rushed into the cage and drove the beast off, thereby rescuing their fellow showman.

The unfortunate trainer was brought to the office of Dr. W. L. Brandon where his wounds were dressed and he was later taken to the Gibbons Hotel, where he remained for a few days, then leaving here to join the circus people at their winter quarters.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

A notice appears in this issue published by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Butler County, notifying the landowners in the Little River Drainage District that the Board of Supervisors of that district will ask permission of the court to change the amended Plan for Drainage of that district so as to correct omissions and make more perfect the drainage system of the district.

We are informed by the attorneys for the district that the district is not seeking to assess any additional benefits because of the changes in the plan. The location of none of the ditches is to be changed and that the result will be to give the landowner in the district better drainage. The matter will be presented to the court in January.

GLASSES - GLASSES - GLASSES

To make your acquaintance I will make you best thing made in large shell frame complete with lenses for \$8.50.—Dr. Long Rooms 15 and 16, Kready Building.

Children's and ladies' gingham dresses priced right.—Pinnell store Co.

SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAYS
AT SKESTON, MISSOURI.

Entered at the Postoffice at Skeston, Scott County, Missouri, as second-class mail matter, according to act of Congress.

THE STANDARD is the only paper in Scott County that is published twice-a-week; for newspaper readers wanting the news while it is news, and for advertisers desiring quick results, it is the best medium.

The Standard announces the following new rates for advertising effective August 1, 1920:

Display advertising, per single column inch, net.....25c
Reading notices per line.....10c
Financial statements for banks, \$6.00
Probate notices, minimum.....\$5.00

The Standard announces the following new rates for subscription effective September 1, 1920:

Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott and adjoining counties.....\$2.00
Yearly subscription elsewhere in United States.....\$2.50
No renewal allowed at present rate for longer than one year.

Foreign Advertising Representative
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

No farm home is complete without its local newspaper, its farm paper, and its daily paper.

About 210,000 persons attended the 43 performances of opera at the St. Louis municipal auditorium in the season just closed.

"The Missouri Farm Name Law" helps the printer who helps himself, through registering farm names and developing farm stationery and advertising.

The average Missouri farmer has a thousand per cent advantages over the dry-farming resident of the West, Southwest and Northwest, with the same measure of effort.

Advertising is as profitable to the farmer as well as the merchant and other business men, and the farmer should use a similar amount of space dependent on the amount of public or private sale offerings.

"Good roads" help to insure the "top cent" on every marketable bushel of grain on the farm, as well as freeing the farmer from the domination and dictation of any local buyer, since "good roads" make it possible and practical for the producer to take his crops promptly and profitably to the terminal market if the local offerings are below the rightful figure.

LIVING PRICES BAR TO FRENCH MARRIAGES

Paris, Nov. 17.—Jacob may have worked seven years to earn enough to have a mate, but the average Frenchman is beginning to think that the Biblical gentleman had a snap compared to the present cost of starting a household in Paris. Statistics show that the average wage of a French workman is about 12,000 francs a year, and from this sum only the trifling will save 10 per cent.

The New York Herald's investigations indicate that a young couple wishing to try housekeeping in a small apartment, even if they get one, will have to pay at least 5,000 francs for the most ordinary bedroom furnishings; 1,500 francs for kitchen furniture, cooking utensils and a stove; another 2,000 for dining room, tables, chairs, plates, etc., with not less than 1,500 each for expenses incident to the marriage such as tips to mayors indigent cures and the three-day wedding trip to the Paris suburbs.

It is generally conceded that the French soldiers pay of less than a franc a day during the war left nothing for thrift, and it is evident that unless the brides do help out, the average worker will have to wait at least ten years before he can take the woman of his choice. The natural conclusion is that, while Jacob may have had to use a rough stone for a pillow, he did not have to worry about the high cost of living.

Early Days in Washington.

When Congress first met in Washington there was but one hotel, the Indian Queen. The landlord, James Brown, came to the curbstone to welcome guests when the stage arrived. A glance at the traveler enabled him to assign him to right quarters. The new guest was always met for his first meal at the dining room door by the landlord, who was attired in a white apron and escorted him to a seat. The landlord occupied the head of the table and carved and served the plates. In carving and serving he always mentioned the fine qualities of the food, speaking in a loud voice. The expense of living at the Indian Queen was \$1.75 per day, \$10 per week or \$35 per month. Brandy and whisky decanters were on the table and the guests helped themselves.—Ben Perley Poore.

The herring forms the chief fisheries of the British Isles, and it is estimated that 2,200,000,000 herrings are landed in Britain during one season.

DEATH CREW LURKS IN WAITING FOR HARDING

Washington, Nov. 16.—Insurgent Republican senators will put it up to President-elect Harding to decide whether there shall be peace or war in Republican ranks after Harding takes office, a leading "irreconcilable" said here today.

Harding can assure himself of the co-operation of the irreconcilables and keep his party undivided in the Senate, this leader said, if he will refuse to heed the counsels of those whom the "insurgents" call "reactionaries". If he listens to the reactionaries, he faces war with the insurgents, it was declared.

The insurgents, if he chooses war, are preparing for it. The programme is already well defined. It was outlined today by the leader referred to.

This senator scouted claims of regular Republican leaders that they would be able to quell insurgency in the Senate because of the big Republican plurality. The treaty irreconcilables number a dozen, but all of these would not be "insurgents" on domestic questions such as taxation. However, the senator said that his faction, if forced to fight against reactionary measures, would not hesitate to combine with the Democrats. That would endanger Republican control, he predicted.

The essentials of the "insurgents" programme are these:

First—They will refuse to accept cabinet positions or other offices under Harding, if they are offered. They intend, it was asserted, to accept nothing that would put them under obligation or that would shut them up, shelve them or make them unable to start a rumpus any time they see fit.

Second—They will play a waiting game, letting the regular leaders control them, until they see whether Harding is accepting advice from the "reactionaries," either on the treaty or on domestic questions.

Third—Having won their point on the league of nations covenant, they will next attack the treaty itself, mainly its economic provisions, will try to stir up public opinion against them in an effort to have Harding reject the peace settlement in its present form just as he rejected the league covenant.

Notice of Drainage Hearing.

To the owners and all persons interested in the lands, corporate and other property in and adjacent to The Little River Drainage District:

You and each of you are hereby notified that The Little River Drainage District, by its Board of Supervisors, has filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Butler County, Missouri, a petition praying said court for permission and authority to further correct and amend the amended Plan for Drainage of The Little River Drainage District so as to enable it to improve the efficiency of its reclamation system and to that end asks that it may change the dimensions of ditches numbered and described as three, eight, ten and the Hill Diversion Channel that are located in the West Extension territory of said district in the manner set out in the petition, and to also correct, change and amend that part of the amended Plan for Drainage providing for the construction of ditch numbered one in the original district, and for authority to construct an additional channel to be known as Sals Creek Diversion Channel, and to correct and change the construction of ditches numbered one, fifty-five, fifty-six and sixty in the original district as provided in the original Plan for Drainage and to approve and confirm the present construction thereof, and unless you show cause to the contrary on or before the first day of the next term of the Butler County Circuit Court to be held on the 3rd day of January, 1921, the prayer of said petition may be granted.

(Seal)
WILLIAM MCGUIRE,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Butler County, Missouri.

Probably the cheapest way to produce pork is by the corn, clover or alfalfa, and a little tankage method, according to B. H. Kern, county Agent of Grundy County. More pork will be produced to the acre by hogging down corn than by scooping corn with a shovel. Limit the acreage that the hogs will clean up as they go. A twenty-six inch woven wire fence fastened to a post at each end of the field, tied to corn stalks between the posts or to sticks driven for the purpose, is the method being used by some Grundy County farmers for fencing off a small acreage so that the hogs will clean up the corn as they go. A mineral mixture for keeping the hogs in good condition should be used.

The poet Cowper tried to commit suicide twice and failed, after which he wrote the famous hymn, "God Moves in a Mysterious Way."

PIRATES OF CROW'S NEST WIPED OUT

One hundred and seventy miles above Natchez there is a place in the Mississippi river called Nine Mile Reach. About half way in this reach is a small island, which at the time of this history, namely in 1809, was called Crow's Nest. It was inhabited exclusively by river pirates. They were a desperate gang. The people on the main land in the vicinity felt it safer to condone their depredations upon the flat boats rather than invite their efforts to their own property by opposing them.

Many a boat and their crews had fallen into their hands and never had again been heard of.

It so happened on one occasion that in the head of Nine Mile Reach there were nine boats laying to on account of a strong up stream wind which kicked up a such rough river they could not pursue their journey to New Orleans whither they were all bound.

The crews of these boats visited each other and played cards together told stories and otherwise amused themselves as best they could to while away the time.

One morning on one of the boats there was a party playing cards and talking, when the conversation turned to the pirates on the island below. Many of these men had heard a great deal of them and some of them had had encounters with them. While the talk was on one man sat apart and was silent. He was a captain of one of the boats lying there and lived somewhere in Ohio. He was a tall raw boned man with a marked stoop. His face marked him as a man of strong character. He had small blue eyes set deep under heavy brows. His mouth was large though his lips were thin and his chin protruded and was inclined to be pointed. While his forehead was low his head was well shaped and covered with a shock of iron gray hair that had been brown.

After a while he turned to the crowd and said: "Would you boys be willing to join a raiding party and go down there and rid this reach of that pirate band?" They said they would and the matter was discussed among them and it was finally agreed that they would make a trip to all the boats lying there and ask for volunteers to go after the pirates.

That afternoon a party was organized under the leadership of Capt. Ironton, for such was his name, and other preparations made for the raid.

There were 75 men in the party, all well armed. At 2 o'clock in the morning they embarked in their skiffs and made a landing on the head of Crow's Nest without being discovered. As they approached the camp of the pirates they were fired upon, but without effect. A battle ensued, which resulted in the capture of 19 pirates two women and a boy 15 years old. Two of the flatboatmen were killed and one wounded. The women and the boy were put into a skiff and ordered to pull for the main shore. They needed no second bidding and soon disappeared in the darkness.

Just how the 19 pirates were disposed of was never known, but after that nothing but crows inhabited the Crow's Nest.—J. S. Hacker in the Cairo Bulletin.

The Desert's Idea.

History is against the probability of the creation of an Arabian empire. The Semitic mind does not lean toward system of organization," said Col. Thomas E. Lawrence recently.

"The Semites are represented by very little art, architecture, philosophy. But we find an amazing fertility among the Semites in the creation of creeds and religions. Three of these creeds—Judaism, Christianity and Mohammedanism—have become great world movements. The broken fragments of countless other religions which have failed are found today on the fringes of the desert.

"The desert seems to produce only one idea—the universality of God. We who have gone out to discover the meaning of the desert, have found only emptiness—nothing but sand, wind, soil and empty space. The Bedouins leave behind them every extraneous comfort and go to live in the desert, in the very arms of starvation that they may be free. The desert exacts a price for its secret. It makes the Bedouins entirely useless to their fellowmen. There has never been a Bedouin prophet. On the other hand there has never been a Semitic prophet who has not before preaching his message, gone into the desert and caught from the desert dwellers a reflection of their belief. The idea of the absolute worthlessness of the present world is a pure desert conception, at the root of every Semitic religion, which must be filtered thru the screen of a nomad prophet before it can be accepted by a settled people."—Lowell Thomas in "Asia."

Appleton shellers make money for their owners.—Farmers Supply Co.

PIG WEIGES 368 POUNDS AT 285 DAYS OF AGE

An unusual incident of rapid growth and fattening of a pig is reported by the Ohio Experiment Station.

One pig used in experimental work weighed 3.7 pounds at birth; at the time the test was completed the pig was 6 months and 24 days of age and weighed 368 pounds, making an average daily gain of 1.46 pounds.

At the weight of 87 pounds the pig was started on a 105-day feeding test in which it gained 2.1 pounds daily.

Besides rape pasture, the feed consisted of corn, 14 parts and tankage 1 part, by weight, when the test was begun; when the pig reached a weight of 125 pounds, ration of corn 19 parts, tankage 1 part, was fed.

FOR SALE—Why not own your home? We are offering for sale one of the best little farms of 165 1-2 acres in Scott County, Missouri. An ideal farm for corn, wheat, clover, alfalfa. About 15 acres of this tract is fine for watermelons and cowpeas, conveniently located to church, school and market. On Charleston and Blodgett road, with rock road completed within 1/4 mile. All in cultivation with good house, barn and outbuildings. Small payment with easy terms. For further information see B. M. Swank or W. K. Burnett, Charleston, Mo. 4 wk.

Among the wild Tauregs of the Tripoli desert woman's way is absolute. The Taureg woman shows her face to the world! It is the men who go coyly veiled. Descent is traced entirely through the female line. To obtain a wife a man has to pay a price that, in view of the Taureg standard of wealth, is nothing less than sheer profiteering. Consequently the young bloods are forced to join the razzies, or robbing raids, which have destroyed the trans-Siberian trade, that they may appease the rapacity of their lady loves.

The Dempster Undertaking Company, of Skeston, Missouri, is fully equipped with all up-to-date conveniences Funeral Parlor, Auto Hearse Service and orders taken for Flowers for all occasions. G. A. Dempster, as Funeral Director and Embalmer, has had 23 years experience and holds Missouri and Illinois State license. Ray Hudson, competent young man, is assistant. Odd Fellow Building. Phones: Day 66, Night 294. tf.

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Notice of Administration

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN.
That Letters of administration on the estate of James H. Matthews, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 1st day of November, 1920, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

Elmer J. Matthews,
Administrator.
WITNESS my hand and seal of the Probate Court of Scott County.
(Seal)
Thos. B. Dudley,
Probate Judge.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

40 acres well drained, black clay, can ridge, cut-over land behind St. John Levee, 2 miles from City of New Madrid, Mo. Two big Government dragline levee building machines now at work, reclaiming these lands. In a very short time these lands will rival the Little River Drainage lands, which are now selling at \$15.00 to \$20.00 per acre.

I will sell this land at \$40 per acre or trade for new Ford cars or any other good new car or cars up to amount of land or will take Liberty Bonds at face value.—W. S. Waters, Box 288, New Madrid, Mo. 2 issues.

This is the year to kill a large number of hogs to cure hams and bacon from your own swine that you are fattening. Genuine "country cured ham" always has a ready market in case you have an over-supply of well-smoked meat.

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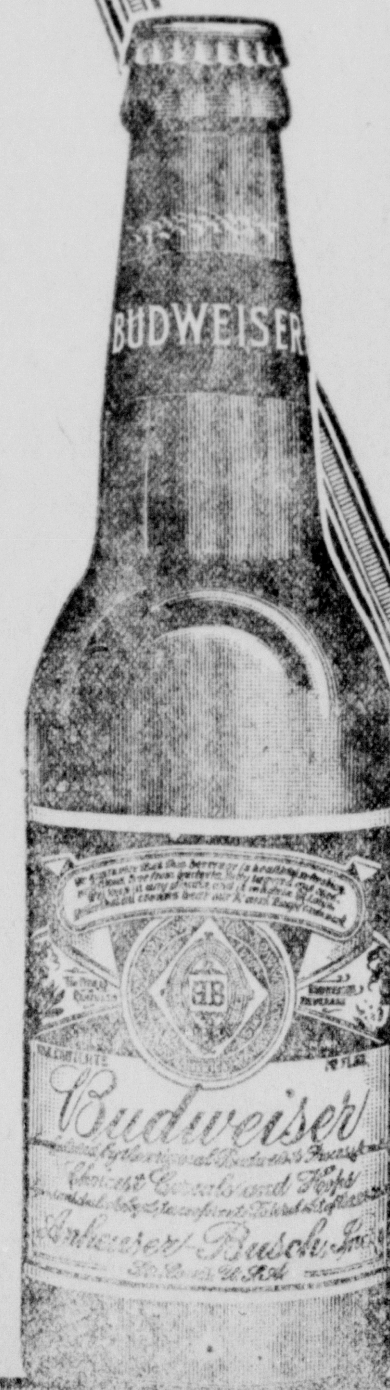


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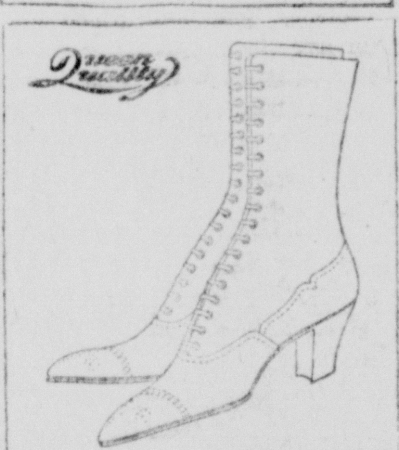
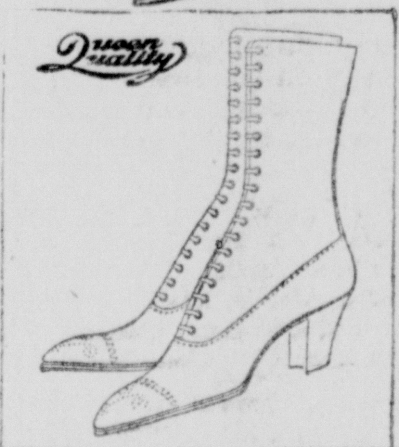
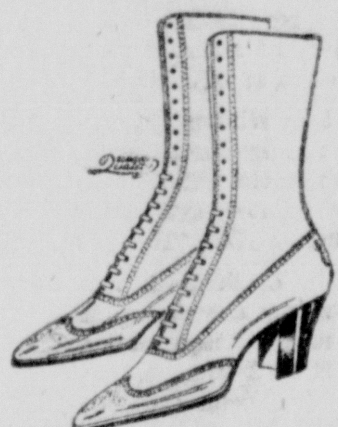
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MATTHEWS ITEMS

Willard Shain of Skeston spent several days in this city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts went to New Madrid Tuesday.

Walter McGee was a Matthews visitor Tuesday.

The traveling salesman for Swift & Co. was in our town Tuesday taking orders for that company.

Mrs. A. J. Lawrence arrived in Matthews Monday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Prim Hawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Story and family returned Monday night from Galesburg, Ill., where they had been to attend the funeral of Mrs. Story's sister, Miss Marion Lawrence.

Wiley L. Davis of Steele, Mo., was in this city Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Ted Swartz was a Skeston visitor Friday.

Prim Hawkins went to East Prairie Tuesday on business.

The following went down on the bayou Sunday for a picnic: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ratcliffe and family, Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schnierbaugh and family.

Mrs. Chas. Spalding entertained a number of little girls at her home Saturday afternoon in honor of her small daughter, Lola's ninth birthday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele shopped in Skeston Wednesday.

Thos. Holderby went to New Madrid Tuesday.

Mrs. John Priddy of Skeston has been the guest of Mrs. Roe Hill.

Fred French of Chaffee visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luke French Monday.

Edward Steele, Tom Farris, W. H. Deane, and B. P. Swartz motored to New Madrid Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Green Ball of near La Forge attended church here Sunday and were guests of Mrs. Ball's son, W. M. McGee.

Dr. Blaylock was in Matthews Tuesday, with the view of purchasing the Mrs. Thos. Holderby property.

Nice silk hose for ladies and men at the right price.—Pinnell Store Co.

Clyde Richards left Wednesday afternoon for Brownstown, Indiana called there by a message informing him of the death of his grandfather, E. L. Borders. Mrs. Richards, who left Tuesday to be at the bedside of her father, arrived in Brownstown just a few minutes before her father passed away.

Our Hubby's gone away. Hurray! Hurray!

Flannelette 25c per yd.—Pinnell Store Co.

Mrs. Ada Vaughn visited Wednesday and Thursday with her daughters in Oran.

Miss Nettie Carter was in last week from Croston for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. J. B. Campbell was in Cairo Thursday to consult Dr. Dunn about her eyes.

Mrs. Mary Priddy returned Wednesday from a brief visit with friends in Matthews.

Lost or Stolen—Black and red lap robe from my car. Saturday night.—Clyde Meyers.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crumpecker of Morehouse were among the out-of-town shoppers in Skeston Wednesday.

H. L. Smith went Wednesday evening to Cairo for a visit with Mrs. Smith, who is under treatment at St. Mary's Infirmary.

Mrs. Byron Guthrie came over from Charleston Wednesday morning for a brief visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Roush.

Mrs. Bette Marshall and Miss Kate Austin have closed their home at 504 North Ranney Avenue and left Wednesday afternoon for Cape Girardeau, where they will spend the winter months with Mrs. Florence Marshall.

Mrs. J. L. Tanner, Miss Burnice Tanner and Mrs. Moore Greer accompanied by Miss Helen Marshall of Charleston left Wednesday night for St. Louis. They plan to remain until Sunday.

The fire truck made a run early Tuesday morning in response to an alarm turned in from Mill A., the largest of the Scott County Milling Company mills. The blaze was caused by the upsetting of a gasoline blow torch being used by workmen. The flaming gasoline spread instantly and Gus Zacher, head miller, was quickly enveloped in flames. His hands were badly burned before fellow employees could extinguish the blaze. Bert Shuffit also suffered painfully burned hands trying to assist Zacher. The men might possibly have been burned to death had it not been for a pile of corn cobs in the room in which they rolled to smother the fire. As it was, the burns while painful, were not serious enough to keep them away from work in the afternoon.

FACES FEDERAL CHARGE

J. J. Tynes, Charged With Violation of Mann Act, Held on Another Charge

Thomas J. Walsh, assistant United States district attorney, issued a warrant yesterday for J. J. Tynes, now being held in the county jail to await the action of the grand jury, following his arrest on a charge of embezzlement Tuesday by the Memphis police. Federal authorities have preferred a charge of violation of the Mann act against Tynes, who, they allege, transported Miss Lottie Peyton from Matthews, Mo., to Memphis, in September of this year. He will be arraigned in federal court this morning at 10 o'clock for a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner Poole. Miss Peyton and Mrs. L. Miller of 158 Vanue Avenue have been subpoenaed as witnesses.

Tynes was arrested Tuesday upon the complaint of the Dan Shea Boiler Works, who charge that he collected without authority money belonging to the firm.—Commercial Appeal.

Miss Mabel Abbotts, a representative of a News Service concern of Kansas City, was in Skeston Wednesday to interview Leonard McMullin, "the airplane farmer" and to gather other data for articles on Southeast Missouri.

The Union Thanksgiving Service will be held at the Methodist Church Thanksgiving morning at 10:30. Rev. H. P. Crowe, presiding elder of the Charleston District, will preach the sermon. Rev. G. C. Greenway, pastor of the Baptist Church, and Rev. A. H. Barnes pastor of the Methodist Church, will assist in the service.

Miss Eva Hess was hostess Friday afternoon to members of the Russell-Bradley Missionary Society. Members present were Mrs. S. Harper, Mrs. Fellows, Mrs. Lacey Allard, Mrs. Miles C. Thomas, Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Mrs. A. H. Barnes, Miss Florence Baker, Mrs. J. M. Pittman, Mrs. Clarence Felker and Miss Helen Hess. The next meeting, to be held the second Friday in December, will be at the home of Mrs. Miles Thomas with Mrs. Wallace Applegate as leader.

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The report was current Thursday that Fred Groves of Cape Girardeau, has disposed of his interest in the Groves-Stubbs Motor Company of this city. We were unable to learn, before going to press, any of the particulars of the sale, other than that the buyer is a Skeston man.

Mr. Lelia Henson has shipped her household goods to Grays Ridge and will make that place her home for the future. The Henson home at 635 South Kingshighway has been rented by Mr. and Mrs. George A. Stone, who are making preparations to move to town Monday.

Miss Lillian Kirk, a former in teacher in the Skeston High School, writes that she is very pleasantly located in the South Dakota State Normal at Spearish, S. D. She also states that her salary this year is just twice that received last year. She is visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. Mary's Infirmary.

C. C. White, J. E. Smith Sr., and W. A. Goodpasture transacted business in Oran Wednesday.

Mrs. L. D. Randol returned Sunday from Cairo, where she spent two days with her sister, Mrs. John Dill, who underwent a surgical operation at St. Mary's Infirmary.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Marr arrived Wednesday of last week from Honolulu for a visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Marr, living east of this city. This is young Marr's first visit home during the five or six years he has been in army service. His wife was formerly Miss Helen Mulholland of Honolulu. Their marriage occurred in that city in November, 1919. Young Mrs. Marr is not favorably impressed with the cold weather that struck the country about the time she reached the States. She and her husband were both shivering and blue with cold, despite heavy winter clothes and wraps, when in town Tuesday on a shopping trip. They plan to remain here for another week or ten days then will probably return to the Hawaiian Isles.

Miss Fern Allen will entertain at cards this (Friday) evening at the home of Mrs. Thornton Wilson, 221anner Street. The guest list includes: Mrs. W. B. Malone, Mrs. Carl Riga, Mrs. E. A. Lawrence, Mrs. Ranney Applegate, Mrs. Moore Greer, Mrs. Charles Lindley, Mrs. Jess Kimes, Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Mrs. L. O. Rodes, Miss Irma Wilson, Mrs. Arnold Roth, Miss Gladys Kendall, Miss Irene Hollister, Miss Grace Estes, Miss Laura Ruhl, Mrs. Forrest Hobbs, Miss Anna Randol, Miss Amy Allen, Miss Marjorie Smith, Mrs. Harry Dudley, Miss Goldie Fowler, Miss Eva Carter, Mrs. Carl Bess, Mrs. Emory Matthews, Mrs. Joe Stubbs Jr., Miss Hazel Stubbs, Mrs. Marvin McMullin, Miss Gretchen Dunaway, Miss Camille Klein, Mrs. Earl Johnson, Mrs. Murray Klein, Mrs. Hal Galsener, Mrs. Lynn Stallcup, Mrs. W. E. Derris, Mrs. Dan McCoy, Mrs. Will Sikes, Mrs. Joe Matthews, Mrs. John Fisher, Mrs. Ned Matthews, Miss Vera Walpole, Miss Margaret Shanks, Mrs. J. H. Yount, Miss Clara Moore, Mrs. Ruskin Cook, Mrs. W. H. Tanner, Mrs. Laura Slack, Misses Mayme and Nina Marshall, Mrs. Charles L. Blanton, Mrs. Harry C. Blanton, Mrs. Frank Van Horne, Mrs. Paul Anderson, Miss Allie Howard and Mrs. R. E. Wiley.

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Do you realize that it is only one week now until Thanksgiving, and that it is now time to plan the Thanksgiving dinner that is always the main feature of this National holiday? Give us your order for your Thanksgiving supplies. We are featuring these specials for the occasion:

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PERSONAL NEWS

Of Town and Country

Try Dudley's Tomato Boullion
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Mrs. John A. Matthews visited in Oran Tuesday.
S. U. Bugg and daughter, Miss Blanche, spent Wednesday in Cairo.
Mrs. Harry Lampert left Tuesday afternoon for a few days' stay in St. Louis.
The Best Hot Chocolate in town at Dudley's Place.
Chas. L. Blanton Jr., returned Tuesday morning from a few days' stay in St. Louis.
Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate and Lynn Smith were visitors in Cairo Sunday.
Martha Washington Candies at Dudley's.
Mrs. F. W. Riga of St. Louis visited her son, Earl Riga and wife from Friday until Tuesday.
The Best Hot Chocolate in town at Dudley's Place.
Mrs. Ranney Applegate expects to leave today (Friday) for a month's visit with relatives in Joplin.
Hersheys Almond Bars 8 cents or 2 for 15 at Dudley's.
Mrs. John Lay returned Wednesday from Cairo, where she has been a patient at St. Mary's Infirmary.
Hersheys Plain Milk Chocolate Bars 8 cents or 2 for 15 at Dudley's.
Arch Russell and little daughter Emily were over from Charleston Wednesday for a visit with relatives.

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A box supper will be given at the Boardman School Thanksgiving night, November 25 for the benefit of the school library.
36 in. Percales 35c per yard.—Pinnell Store Co.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Dover Monday, November 15, an 8½ pound boy. Mother and son are reported to be doing nicely.
Mrs. E. F. Mouser was in Cape Girardeau Tuesday taking her daughter, Jewell, to Dr. Yount for treatment for eye trouble.
W. H. Carter went to Cairo Wednesday for a brief visit with his daughter, Mrs. John Dill, who is a patient in St. Mary's Infirmary.
Charley Keith went to Cairo Wednesday morning taking his sister, Mrs. Lora Williams to St. Mary's Infirmary for an operation for appendicitis.
Mrs. Emma Kendall, Mrs. Wallace Applegate and little Miss Lillian Gail Applegate motored to Commerce Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Clara Anderson.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kendall returned to Sikeston Monday from a visit in East St. Louis. They left Tuesday afternoon for their home near Ke-wanee.
J. H. Galeener, Joe Stubbs Jr., and Charles Prowe, who spent several days this week on business in St. Louis, returned home Wednesday morning.
Oran has been filled this week with out-of-town buyers, who are taking advantage of the 40 per cent off bargains offered by the Banks' Department Store.

Ed Hollingsworth made a business trip to Cairo Thursday.
Mrs. W. B. Robinson and daughter, Miss Irene, were shopping in Cairo Thursday.
Mrs. A. B. Skillman and Mrs. Ella Old were in Cairo Tuesday for a brief visit.
The Co-Workers will hold a cake sale Saturday, November 27 at the O. K. Drug Store.
Mrs. Paul Woerth of Poplar Bluff was the guest of Miss Daisy Garden Thursday afternoon.
Mrs. J. B. Campbell visited her daughter, Mrs. J. P. Stearns in Lil-bourn Tuesday night.
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hall, who have Rooney, left Thursday morning for their home in Pine Bluff, Ark.
Mrs. Frank Van Horne will entertain this (Friday) afternoon with seven table for Five Hundred.
Mrs. J. F. Carnack, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Girard Dover, returned Wednesday to her home in St. Louis.
Mrs. Charles Prowe and Mrs. Harry Smith were in Cairo Monday night and Tuesday for a visit with Mrs. Handy Smith.
Henry Welsh has recently purchased from W. H. Raush, the property at 401 North Kingshighway, known as the B. F. Lennox place.
The picture to be shown tonight (Friday) at the Methodist church is a Real art production, one lately released. The picture will be shown at the usual hour.
The Chillicothe Business College has secured Mr. Traugbner Hultz as leader of the college orchestra for the present season. Mr. Hultz also greatly strengthens the orchestra by playing first violin.

Martha Washington Candies at Dudley's.
Mrs. Albert Shields and Miss Louise Probst were visitors in Cairo Wednesday.
HIDES WE BUY ALL KINDS.—WALPOLES MARKET.
Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gipson and babe, Mrs. Alfred Calvine and little daughter Juanita, visited in Parma from Sunday until Tuesday.
Get our prices on men's hats and caps.—Pinnell Store Co.
Mrs. Tom Baker returned Wednesday from East Prairie, where she spent the past week with her mother, who has been very sick.
The big money raising sale of the Banks' Department Store at Oran is now on. No one should fail to visit this store and secure some of the unusual bargains offered.
Mrs. Ella Williams expects to go to Illinois Saturday for a few days' visit, after which she will return to Sikeston for a more extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Dover.
Mrs. E. L. Richards left Tuesday afternoon for Brownston, Ind., in response to a message stating that her father, E. L. Borders, was not expected to recover from a serious illness.
The many Sikeston friends of Mrs. John Dill of Carbondale, Ill., will be glad to learn she is recovering nicely from a very serious operation performed recently at St. Mary's Infirmary.
Mrs. Laura Slack and Theodore Slack entertained Mrs. Paul Hand, Moore, Misses Pauline and Nadine Moore, of Charleston, Miss Frisbee of Arkansas and Miss Helen Churchill of Vinita, Oklahoma, at dinner Tuesday.
Clarkton is to have a small factor, for the making of a composition to be used in clearing land, and which is said to kill live trees, sprouts shrub and other undergrowth in from five to forty days without injuring the soil.

Mrs. O. E. Kendall and Mrs. Calvin Greer of this city were among the guests at a dinner given in Charleston Thursday in celebration of the birthday of Mrs. Joe Russell. The dinner was given at the home of Mrs. Walter Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes entertained Wednesday evening at their home on North Kingshighway, with a 6 o'clock dinner. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Theodore Slack, Davy and James Kevil.

Robert Nafe, whose resignation a Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, was reluctantly accepted Monday evening, left Wednesday night for Cleveland, Ohio to visit his brother. Mr. Nafe plans to locate near the Pacific Coast.

A notice received from the Redpath-Horner Lyceum Bureau states that owing to throat trouble which necessitates an operation, the speaking engagement of J. Hamilton Lewis, scheduled for November 26, must be postponed until the latter part of January or the early Spring.

Mrs. Joe Nolan of Bucklyn, Mo., and Miss Vera White of Los Angeles, California, arrived Friday of last week for a visit with their sister-in-law and nieces, Mrs. Katherine White, Anne and Katherine White. Mrs. Nolan returned home Monday afternoon. Miss White expects to leave today to visit other points in the State before returning to California.

Mrs. A. B. Skillman will be hostess at a "Comfort Tacking" this (Friday) afternoon at her home on Woodlawn Avenue. Included among the guests are: Mrs. J. A. Hess, Mr. H. P. Crowe, Mrs. John Stinson, Mrs. Emma Kendall, Mrs. A. J. Moore, Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. Laura Smith, Mrs. Charles Frank, Mrs. F. M. Sikes, Mrs. Rube Matthews, Mrs. O. E. Kendall, Mrs. Wallace Applegate and Mr. V. D. Hunter.

Bridge was the game played Tuesday evening at a most delightful party given by Mrs. Carl Bess at her home on North Kingshighway. Guests invited on this occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Ruskin Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Haas, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Horne, Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Klein, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stallcup, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindley, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Banton, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dover, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Belden, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bruton, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Galeener, Mr. and Mrs. Girard Dover, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Randal Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Way, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kendall, D. B. and James Kevil, Misses Fern Allen, Gretchen Dunaway, Leita Lindley, Camille Klein and Hazel Stubbs.

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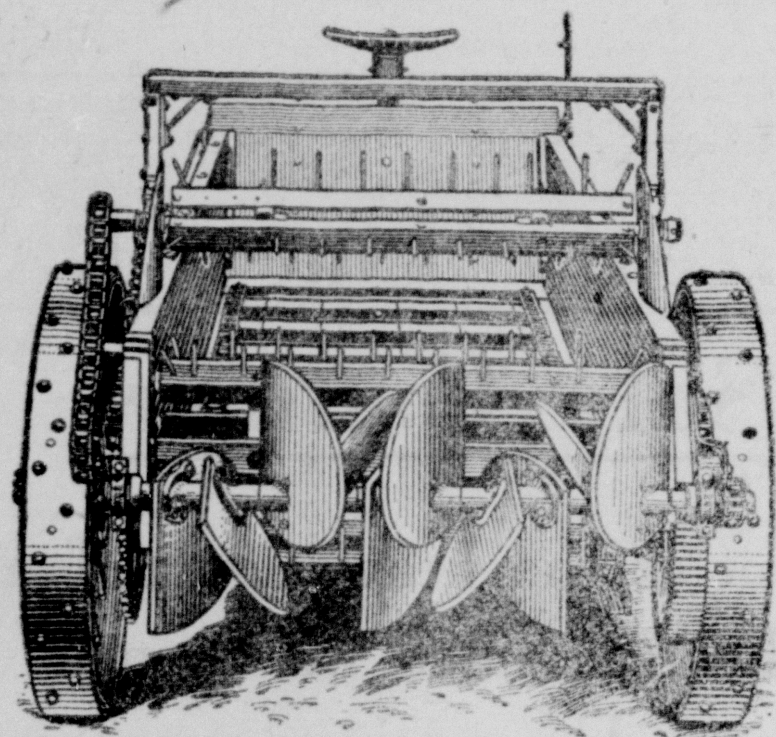
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'KING COTTON' FINDS DUNKLIN COUNTY SOIL JUST TO HIS LIKING

Fleecy Staple Growing in Importance Among Missouri's Products.

Kennett, Mo., November 11.—Although Dunklin County is hauling in a big cotton crop this year, as it does every year for that matter, it is difficult just now to work up much enthusiasm about it.

It's a good deal like the wheat business out in Kansas, at times. Along in June when the crop is being harvested and the newspapers are full of estimates on the bigness of the yield, everybody is tickled to death and the entire landscape rings with glad shouts of enthusiasm. Then, when the car shortage comes and the price drops off, the enthusiasm is succeeded by a huge crust of gloom.

"What difference does it make how much I produce, if it brings me less than the cost of production?"

Wheat producers have been asking that question in a loud, raucous voice for many a bygone month, and the cotton growers, along with producers of practically all other farm products, are joining in the chorus with no little vigor. Whatever cotton had dropped down to yesterday, it is a good bet that it will go even lower today. And in the face of such conditions it is a difficult matter to work up much hurrah about "the fleecy staple" just now. The one ray of hope in the whole situation is the confidence that things cannot always go on thus.

King Cotton

Nevertheless, the fact remains that "cotton is king", and Dunklin County, at least so far as Missouri is concerned, is the center and seat of his kingdom. There are an even dozen counties in the state that produce cotton, and Dunklin County stands head and shoulders above them all. And cotton is rapidly growing in importance among Missouri products, according to figures compiled by the State Board of Agriculture. In 1895, for instance, Missouri produced only 11,816 bales on 47,772 acres. Since then the acreage has steadily gained, with occasional temporary decreases, until in 1940, 100,000 acres of cotton were produced. In 1915 the acreage dropped back to 96,000, but jumped up to 153,000 in 1917. Last year the total acreage was placed at 125,000.

The biggest cotton year, from the standpoint of production, was 1911, when 96,000 bales were produced on 129,000 acres. The average yield per acre that year was 360 pounds. Last year the average was 257 pounds per acre and the total yield 64,213 bales. The average yield in Dunklin County is greater than any place else except in California, where it is grown under irrigation. Last year the Dunklin County average was 264 pounds per acre on the 56,350 acres grown, and the output was 29,865 bales. The adjoining county of Pemiscot is credited with 20,597 bales, grown on 37,450 acres, for 1919.

Just what the crop will total this year is hard to determine, with much of it still to be picked. But the average is up to the usual standard, and it is said by some men here that around 60 per cent of the land under cultivation in this county is in cotton. Dunklin County does not get full credit for all it produces, as considerable quantities are taken out of the county for ginning.

What Dunklin County can really do in producing big yields of cotton was told the correspondent by R. I. Jones, a farmer and cotton buyer here.

"From a field of thirty-six acres Henry Barnes at Holcomb produced an average of 2210 pounds per acre," he said. "The ground was measured and the cotton carefully weighed, so there could be no mistake about it."

Wonderful Quality.

And quality! Dunklin County defies any other section to produce better cotton. At the St. Louis world's fair in 1904 Dunklin County cotton took first prize over all the great cotton-producing states of the South. The fiber produced here is of superior excellence and far above average spinning strength. Seed from other sections producing only a half-inch fiber will ultimately produce a fiber an inch or more in length after it has been grown here a few years. A soil highly adapted to cotton is given as the reason.

Some of this cotton land can be bought for \$200 to \$250 an acre, while some has sold as high as \$350 depending on location and improvements.

More live stock is one of the needs of this country, according to some men familiar with conditions here. There are practically no herds of pure-bred beef cattle, although a good start is being made with better hogs. Some say the price of land is too high to make beef cattle profitable. On the other hand there are those who see this as an ideal live stock section, with its long pasture season,

mild climate and ability to grow almost every kind of forage crop a cow will eat.

"This country is no small producer of corn and soybeans," said W. L. Flannery, county agent, "and there is an excellent opening for breeders of pure-bred stock. More live stock ultimately will become a necessity, as continued cropping is reducing the average yield, and the use of fertilizers will also become necessary in the end."

This view seems to be supported by a recent report from Missouri University, which says that fertilizer can be used profitably with cotton down here. In the last two years experiments conducted by the university at Kennett have shown a net profit of \$8 an acre from moderate applications of acid phosphate.

The university report says better cotton is being grown here than formerly. Tests made to determine the most productive varieties show differences in yield as high as 150 pounds of lint to the acre. The university men say Dunklin County farmers are discarding the poorer varieties and growing the better kind. Selection of better seed, a move backed by Southeast Missouri farm bureau, is another hopeful sign. Growers point out that it means greater production and a much better stand.

Just now the cotton grower is wrestling with the market problem, and dwindling prices are his nightmare. But cotton is not purely a Southeast Missouri problem; it is a world problem, for civilized man can no more exist without cotton than he can "without cooks." There will be no appreciable increase in the world acreage land that grows good cotton. But Dunklin County has vast tracts of the land that produces it, and cotton the world must have.

When people down here reflect on the situation from that viewpoint, they settle back and are glad they live in Dunklin County, knowing the cotton man's present predicament is only a temporary irritant.—Ira D. Mullinax, Weekly Globe-Democrat.

STRAYED OR STOLEN

Liver and white pointer dog, 10 years old. Warts on back and around feet. Will pay liberal reward for information leading to his recovery.—E. C. Matthews, Sikeston, Mo.

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FIND CRUSADES RELIC

Tapestry Over 1,000 Years Old Discovered in French Church.

Paris, Nov. 18.—The opening of a reliquaire in the ancient church in Saint-Jean-sur-Mer, Department of Pas de Calais, revealed an elaborate tapestry which is more than 1,000 years old and which Eustache XII of Boulogne brought back with him from a crusade to the Holy Land. The value of the tapestry is estimated at more than \$500,000, as it is in perfect condition.

The tapestry has been presented to the French Academy of Inscriptions by the Trocadero Museum, which traced its origin. According to experts it bears the name of Weytke Cadil, who was put to death by his master in Khorassan in the year A. D. 961. Therefore the tapestry is older than that found in the tomb of Charlemagne, which is now carefully preserved in Aix-la-Chapelle.

Two cafes, a furniture store and grocery store in the main business block of Clinton, Ky., were destroyed by fire which was discovered shortly after 6 o'clock Sunday night. The loss was estimated at \$1,000,000, the fire originated in the cafe of Mess Bros., and is believed to have been caused by an overheated stove. The flames quickly spread to the other buildings in the block, all of brick construction, but not protected by fire walls. They were the R. L. Johnson & Co., furniture store, Brummal Bros. cafe and grocery and Faulkner's grocery store.

The entire population of the town turned out to fight the fire and, hard work they prevented the entire business section of the town from being destroyed.—Ex.

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E. A. Grimes, formerly head of the farm loan department of the Mercantile Trust Company of St. Louis and for a short time connected with the State Treasury Department in Jefferson City, at present in charge of the sale and disposition of the Donaldson estate lands of near Advance, has removed his family to this city from St. Louis. The family are at present occupying rooms at the Pott residence, corner of Thoms and Pacific streets.

Mr. Grimes will devote his entire time to the Donaldson estate lands and removed to this city in order to be near his work. They will probably make Cape Girardeau their home.—Cape Sun.

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HOME-TANNED HIDES GIVE FARMERS UNCERTAIN PROFIT

Apparently it doesn't pay the farmer to tan his own leather. The Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, is conducting leather-making experiments upon the scale to which the average farmer would have to adjust his work, and specialists say that the results obtained thus far do not warrant general practice. Good leather can be made in individual tanneries, but the results are too uncertain to give reliable profits.

The work was taken up by the department when it became evident that the farmers were feeling the injustice of a transaction wherein they sold a whole cow hide for less than they paid out for a pair of work shoes. In occurrence not at all unusual. Investigation shows that the leather dealer is not entirely to blame for the low prices that the farmer receives for his hides. Too often the hide from the farm cow is taken off in a careless manner that leaves the skin full of cuts and holes—farm hides are never as uniform as those bought from the packing houses, where the animals are carefully graded and the skins removed by expert skinners. For that reason the hide buyer is always willing to pay more for the packer's product than he can offer the farmer.

Then, too, the farmer sells his cowhide to the junk dealer, who deducts his profit from the price he pays. Whenever it is possible to collect a number of hides and skins it will pay the owner to deal directly with a large dealer, the specialists say.

The Armenian tongue, however much it has changed in the course of centuries, is descended from the language that Priam and Hector spoke, says Ernest P. Horowitz, writing in Asia. The Armenian hail, like the Homeric Trojans, from Thrace, which subsequently became incorporated in the Byzantine or eastern Roman empire. Erzerum, capital of Armenia, has retained the deathless name of Rome. It was founded in the year 415, by Theodosius, a sebastos, that is emperor of eastern Rome. He called it Theodosiopolis, but its native name is Erzerum, or "Armenian Rome."

King John did not actually sign the Magna Charta, as is often stated. What he did was to affix his seal to the document. He was unable to write even his own name.

Fear Two Whites Were Eaten

Brisbane, Australia, Oct. 18.—It is reported from New Guinea that two white men and 10 native carriers are missing and are believed to have been killed and eaten by the natives on the Fly River.

The missing men were hunting birds of paradise in Dutch New Guinea. A searching party reported that on visiting a native village on the Fly River the villagers fled. Some booklets stained with blood, a photograph, some clothes and other evidences of the white men were found.

NOTICE

On and after November 5th, 1920 ice will be delivered by phone call only. Call 28.—Missouri Public Utilities Co.

Millions for a New Stomach

One of the greatest American millionaires said to his physician, "A million dollars, Doctor, spot cash and no grumbling, for a new stomach," and then the sick man groaned and turned away. All his wealth could not make him happy or contented, for happiness largely depends upon digestion. Without health where does happiness come in? After all the stomach plays a great part in everyday life. Without a healthy stomach and good digestion our blood is thin, watery and poor, our heart action is weak, our liver does not do its duty, and man is miserable and unhappy. Prevent disease by putting the house in order and strengthening the system against the germs of disease.

Dr. Pierce, of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., years ago understood diseases and their prevention, and he discovered certain roots and herbs which were nature's remedies, and succeeded in putting them up in a form that could be easily procured at the drug store (liquid or tablets). This he called Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This Discovery gives no false stimulation because it contains no alcohol or any narcotic. It helps digestion and the assimilation of such elements in the food as are required for the blood. It gives to the blood the food elements the tissues require. For over fifty years it has enjoyed the confidence of the American public. Try it now!

CHURCH ASKS BAN ON SUNDAY TRAINS

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 15.—If the Congress of the United States grants the request of the members of the North Alabama Methodist Conference, the present prohibition blanket now covering the country will have all the aspects of a wide open regime.

At the regular session of the conference a resolution was unanimously passed requesting a national law prohibiting Sunday trains, the publication of Sunday newspapers and the blocking of all interstate traffic, including the mails. The resolution also asked that the law include a compulsory clause that every working man be given an opportunity to "observe Sunday as a day of rest and prayer." This latter clause is taken to mean that the conference indorses the idea that all business stop on the Sabbath, regardless of its character.

Noah W. Cooper of Nashville, Tenn., who is boosting the crusade for a national anti-Sunday industrial law, addressed the conference and stated that many other conferences had already passed similar resolutions and that unless this law was enacted and enforced the American nation soon would follow the paths of Israel and Prussia, which lead to destruction. His appeal was impassioned and, as a result, the resolution, which places the "blue laws" of the most temperate state into the liberal column, was introduced and passed.

At the far top of the kiln, at the famous pottery works of King Tschel, China, and in the chimney are holes a foot square, into which a man, who acts as a human thermometer, looks to determine the heat, says John Knight Shyrock, writing in Asia. His method is simple. He spits into the hole, and, if the spit burns to steam the temperature is not sufficient. When the heat is so great that the saliva is shot back at him with a little explosion, everything is all right.

The common barberry, once a familiar shrub in all parts of the Northeastern and Central Western States, is being eradicated through the efforts of the United States Department of Agriculture, which found that the shrub was an enemy of wheat in that it harbored rust spores during the winter. An eradication campaign is being carried on in 13 States.

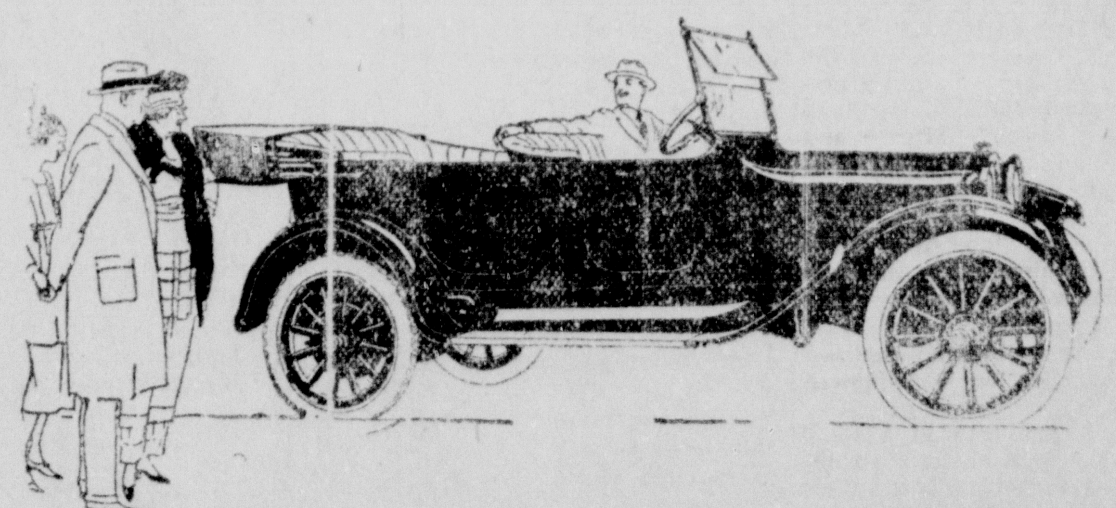
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JEAN'S TEA ROOM

By CLARISSA MACKIE.

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Jean Webb leaned against the gate post and looked up at the quaint old house where she had been born, and which was the birthplace of her mother and her grandmother. The three of them lived alone there with a tiny income from Jean's school teaching, with the old house almost falling down for need of repairs, and with a tangled old garden which had no one to take care of it.

Grandmother was old and feeble and Mrs. Webb was not strong. When Jean came home from teaching her sturdy youngsters she was tired and there was always housework to do, so the old house and garden were neglected.

"If I could only sell it," sighed Jean, "for a good sum of money, then—" she smiled and brushed away a tear, "then mother and grandmother would die of homesickness! Well, we'll keep it—somehow, all together!"

She turned as a motorcar slowed at the gate. A smartly uniformed chauffeur touched his cap and opened the door of the car.

An elderly woman with gray hair and soft appealing eyes smiled graciously on the slender girl at the gate. "I beg your pardon—can you tell me if there is a tea room nearby?" she queried. "We have had a breakdown and it is long past luncheon hour—"

Jean hesitated. With the woman's question an idea flashed into her head—perhaps this was the answer to her prayers—this might be the golden opportunity knocking at her gate. If there was a demand for tea rooms—why not supply it?

In a few moments three ladies were sitting in the comfortable chairs in the green gloom of the honeysuckle vines, exclaiming over the roses that Jean brought them and the pure chaffees of the fragrant day lilies. Then Jean disappeared for a period to return with pink slices of ham laid on crisp lettuce leaves, delicious balls of cream cheese, a pot of home-made jam, a simple salad and dainty bread and butter sandwiches—these and a pot of tea Jean placed before the ladies and then went away and left them alone.

When she came back they were so generous in their praise of the unexpected hospitality—so eager for Jean to open a tea room there.

"You are so near the post road, my dear—all you need is a few tables on the veranda and your own beautiful things—your cooking is delicious—let me have a sign painted for you!" urged Mrs. Delbridge, the owner of the car and the hostess of the party.

"You are too kind," protested Jean. "I shall send my son out next week and I may come with him—it is vacation now and you will have plenty of time. Beware! We shall send all our friends!" They laughingly drove away, their arms full of flowers, and it was not until they had disappeared that Jean remembered that they had not asked for a check and she had not thought to charge them!

"A poor business woman am I," she murmured wryly as she cleared the table. Then she found a five-dollar bill pinned to the damask cloth and she danced into the house waving it exultantly.

"Exit Jean the schoolma'am and enter Jean the keeper of the tea shop—and weeder of her garden once more. Hurrah!"

A week later a small gray car stopped at the gate and Jean, who was enthusiastically weeding the graveled walk between the rows of fragrant boxwood, thought of her grubby fingers and mussed blue frock. "It must be Mrs. Delbridge's son," she thought as she went to the gate. In one hand he carried two rustic swinging signs and with the other he uncovered his handsome head.

"Is this the Wayside tea room?" he asked with twinkling eyes.

"Why—no—" hesitated Jean. "I am afraid it is—or it is going to be!" He grinned as he displayed the signs.

Sure enough—framed in rustic were the magic words: "THE WAYSIDE TEA ROOM," and one corner of the sign was lengthened into a pointing finger.

"How kind of Mrs. Delbridge," cried Jean ecstatically.

"One is for your veranda and the other to hang from some tree down the road—a guide. Mother said you would know the tree."

"The old locust at the corner," explained Jean.

"I will hang it for you," declared Phil Delbridge, and from the tool kit in the car he brought the necessary tools and presently the quaint sign was swinging in the soft wind. Afterward Phil hung the other sign over the front while Mrs. Webb and Jean prepared a high tea in the veranda. There was fresh strawberry shortcake and plenty of cream and other delicious viands, for the Webbs were famous housewives.

Phil lingered on the front steps with Jean. A whippoorwill was singing in the orchard and the roses were heavy with fragrance.

"I shall come again—and again—" promised Phil, releasing Jean's fluttering fingers.

"Do come," said Jean in a small voice; and her tone might have discouraged Phil Delbridge had he not read her eyes. He felt that while Jean's tea room might be the beginning of the story, the ending of the story must come only when beautiful Jean belonged to him.

STUBBS THANKSGIVING SALE

There has been reductions in all lines of merchandise and this is the time above all others when precaution must be observed to distinguish cheap merchandise from the class of merchandise we offer.

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Winter Wheat Acreage.

At harvest time, 1920, the Missouri outlook was for an increased acreage of wheat. "Wheat" in Missouri always means "winter wheat" unless otherwise indicated, for "spring wheat" is not common in this state.

Following on the trail of the beginning of harvest the price of wheat began dropping, and kept on going down below the cost of production. This disheartened and discouraged many Missouri farmers, and not all of the ground plowed or disc'd for wheat has been sown.

The Missouri State Board of Agriculture, co-operating with the United States Department of Agriculture, has had printed 60,000 special copies of the "Missouri Special Wheat Seeding Inquiry, 1920", which are now being mailed to sixty thousand farmers. To each farmer is also sent a franked return envelope free of postage for reply.

This "special inquiry", addressed to practically one-half as many farmers as there are wheat growers in the state, is for the purpose of making sure on the acreage of fall seeding of wheat this year. If we had to pay cash postage, the bill would be \$2,400 for stamps alone. The rye acreage is also asked. Each farmer is requested to report his average yield of wheat at the last harvest, also what his corn is turning out per acre. This

wide inquiry will make the 1920 crop statistics more strictly exact than ever before, when combined with the local assessors' report on every farm in this state.

In considering the crops reports and farm statistics of Missouri the business man and agriculturist should remember that these facts and figures are "farmer-made."

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Peal plan to leave the 25, Thanksgiving Day, for their winter home in Plant City, Florida.

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ROUTE ONE

Miss Vivian Johnson, Misses Ruth and Pearl Allard spent Sunday with Miss Verna Thomas.

Miss Ella Wright returned home from the hospital at St. Louis Thursday morning.

J. P. Johnson and Marion are with the pea huller at Brooks Junction this week.

Misses Ella and Myrtle Wright spent Sunday afternoon with Misses Daphne and Wilma Randolph.

Relatives from Tennessee are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lewis. Miss Lucille Sutton spent Sunday with Miss Velma Johnson.

Lloyd Sutton spent Sunday with Glenn Johnson.

After rhubarb has been planted four or five years the stalks become so thick that they are too small to sell well. It is then best to dig up the roots and divide into pieces of two or three eyes each, which is enough for one hill, and start a new patch. Another good way is to dig up all the hill but a little corner which is left undisturbed, then fill the hole from which the roots were taken with well rotted manure and cover that with earth. The piece of root left in the ground will make a surprising growth the same season.

GERMANY MUST PAY OFF BEFORE JOINING LEAGUE

Paris, Nov. 12.—A definite agreement concerning the procedure to be followed with regard to the reparations due by Germany was reached today between the French and British governments. The agreement calls for a meeting at Brussels of allied technical experts with the Germans, and a so a meeting of the allied premiers in Geneva in the first half of February, to discuss the total amount due and Germany's capacity for payment.

The French government is unalterably opposed to the admission of Germany to the league of nations at this time, it was stated at the foreign office today. Some "drastic action" would be a consequence if the league voted to admit Germany, it was intimated.

The foreign office said that there had been conversations with Great Britain on the subject, and that the British, who had been inclined to favor German membership in the league, now has accepted the French viewpoint.

The French hold that Germany must prove her intent to fulfill the terms of the treaty and live peaceably with her neighbors before seeking membership to the league. The possibility of the admission of Austria and Bulgaria is regarded in a

different light by the French. Germany has not yet applied for membership.

AMERICAN GIFT OF 700 COWS REACHES GERMANY

Berlin, November 13.—Seven hundred Holstein cows, comprising the first consignment of milk cows, donated by Americans to Germany, arrived in Hamburg today, where they have been quarantined pending action by the American donors and German officials who will determine their final destination.

An American dairy cattle company, which is supervising the gift enterprise and shipment of the cows, still retains title to them and has demanded assurances from the German government they will not be included in the cattle levy of the Allies.

German red tape is further complicating the situation in that various governmental departments, which claim the right to dispose of the American gift, have thus far been unable to arrive at a settlement of the question. Meanwhile the cows must remain in the cattle quarantine station at Hamburg until their disposition is finally determined.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Peal went Wednesday to Blodgett called there by the death of a friend and former neighbor.

BALES OF COTTON MAY GO TO GERMANY

Chicago, Nov. 16.—Cotton these days tells an interesting story. The textile industry is languishing in the United States, France and England, but is reviving in Germany.

Word came from Columbia, S. C., last night that the American Cotton Association is negotiating through the state department for the sale of 1,000,000 bales of cotton to German spinners. Earlier in the day the census bureau showed that during October cotton consumption in American mills fell to the lowest point in six years, a reflection of curtailed manufacturing, due to lack of orders by the mills.

A total of 399,827 bales was used by mills in the United States in October, which was 156,000 bales less than used during the same month last year. The drop for November will be greater, for already the mills of New England are running at only 40 per cent capacity, with prospects of curtailing still further unless orders come in.

France and England are almost in the same boat in regard to the textile industry, which means clothing. From Paris comes word that, although raw materials have gone down in price, most manufacturers see their looms idle for lack of spring orders. These are held back because jobbers have not disposed of their winter stocks—and up to a few weeks ago most of them held the theory that prices and profits would keep up for years, and refused to sell even at cost price, let alone take a loss and restock on a new basis.

England has large stocks, accumulated when cotton cost twice as much as today and when wool was worth something on the market. Manchester reports that customers abroad who take three-fourths of the production know the market is falling and are holding back until prices come to a halt. Holders, on the other hand, say when buying starts again prices will stiffen, and few of them have been closing out the high priced stuff at forced values.

It's a "freeze out" game that is stirring loud complaint, for it causes business slackness and unemployment and delays readjustment.

Berlin reports the German textile business improving. Some spinning mills and weaving shops are again working full time. The improvement is attributed to the purchase of winter supplies, a coming reduction in the export levy, and above all, to the great depreciation of the German mark, which facilitates exports. The great drop in exchange makes it hard for Germany to buy raw materials, but on the other hand, when it comes to selling the manufactured product, it gives the foreign buyer an inducement to purchase.

American exporters are discovering this for instance in Argentina, where the exchange rate is enabling British and German exporters to get business which had been placed in American order books before Argentine exchange took a drop.

EMPLOYEES OF U.S. TO DO LESS TALKING

Washington, Nov. 16.—Hereafter any laborer employed in the State, War and Navy Department building who talks to anyone during his working hours except regarding official business will be penalized. The superintendent of the building today formally notified the workers employed there that they must confine their conversations entirely to official business, which "must be proven to be official business in each case."

The penalty for the first infraction of the rule was fixed at the loss of one day's pay and for the subsequent offenses such punishment as the circumstances warrant.

"DISCOVER" NEW HARD WHEAT.

Has Been Successfully Grown Near 66th Parallel.

Winnipeg, Nov. 15.—A "farthest North" wheat, designated as "No. 10", which has been grown with success at the sixty-sixth parallel—"higher up" on the globe than any wheat ever before was raised—has been "discovered" by the husbandry department of the Manitoba Agricultural college, it was announced here today. The new variety was said to be a cross breed of Manitoba and Australian wheats, and harder than other grades.

Surgeons declare that they are never busy in the operating rooms on the 13th day of any month.

Seventy-two enormous grain elevators are to be built in British South Africa.

The best hot chocolate in town at Dudley's.

THE FOURTH RED CROSS ROLL CALL

The Fourth Roll Call is by this time well under way, and reports from all over the country are most gratifying. People are showing willingness to renew their membership in this great humanitarian organization which stood back of soldiers and their families during the war, and is now broadening its field to aid civilians.

In a year over ten million people in the United States joined the Red Cross and many more members are expected this year.

Do you know that the Red Cross is feeding and clothing eleven million orphans in Europe? Do you know that there are 26,000 disabled soldiers in the hospitals in the United States, whose lives are made easier by the help of the Red Cross?

If you are not interested in your Sikeston Red Cross, join the organization which is helping the children and soldiers.

Booths will be down town on Sunday to renew memberships and on Sunday every house in Sikeston will be solicited so that everyone will have an opportunity to renew their membership.

The following are the workers in the four wards:

WARD I—Workers will meet at Dr. Dunaway's office.

Dr. Dunaway, Chairman, Mrs. Marvin McMullin, Miss Burnice Tanner, Mrs. Chas. B. Anton, Mrs. J. W. Black, John Chaney, T. A. Wilson, Joe Matthews, Clarence Felker, Prof. M. C. Thomas, Charles Dover, Ranney Applegate, Byron Bowman, Mrs. Levi Cook, Ralph Anderson, Miss Audrey Chaney, Miss Leita Lindley, Randall Wilson, Mr. A. C. Haffner, Miss Susie Hay, Miss Gretchen Dunaway and Charles Prow.

WARD II—Workers will meet at J. W. Black's office.

Harry Young, Chairman, Hal Gaelechner, Bill Sikes, Mrs. Wm. Sikes, Mrs. Frank Smith, Margaret Shanks, Mrs. J. H. Stubbs, Miss Hazel Stubbs, Caly Stubbs, Mrs. Keady, Mrs. T. V. Miller, Mrs. Albert Shields, Mrs. J. E. Smith, Miss Marjorie Smith, Mrs. Harry Young, John Russell, Mrs. Frank Smith, Harry Smith, Paul Anderson, Miss Allie Howard, C. C. White, Mrs. C. C. White, Mrs. Gord Dill, Mrs. Emanuel Schorle, Mrs. A. H. Barnes and Mrs. Grover Baker.

WARD III—Workers will meet at the Malone Theater.

Dr. E. J. Malone, Chairman, Mrs. Frank Blanton, Mrs. Archie Barnett, Mrs. Will Malone, Mrs. Earl Malone, Mrs. E. J. Malone, Sr., Miss Helen Thomas, Mrs. Roy Johnson, Mrs. Lee Bowman, Mrs. Priddy, Mrs. Forrest Hobbs, Mrs. Dan McCoy, Miss Irene Hollister, Miss Rebecca Pierce, W. O. Scott, Theodore Slack, Ruskin Cook, M. L. Clayton, Mrs. Ruskin Cook, Mrs. G. A. Dempster, W. A. Goodpa-ture, Gus Zacher, Fred Schorle, L. D. Randol, Miss Eva Carter and Jas. Kevel.

WARD IV—Workers will meet at the City Hall.

W. H. Tanner, Chairman, Mrs. Murray Klein, Mrs. A. C. Sikes, A. C. Sikes, Gladys Kendall, Miss Anna Randol, Howard Morrison, Murray Klein, Jim Macabee, Mrs. James Macabee, Carl Denman, Ed Fuchs, Miss Etta Wilson, Mrs. Wm. Pate, Sam Bowman, J. N. Ross, C. H. Denman, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stubbs, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Loebe, Harry Dover, Dr. Stewart, Mrs. Charles Pinnell, Alex B. Thompson, Mrs. J. C. Lescher and Loomis Mayfield.

Street workers meet at J. W. Black's office.

Mrs. Haas, Chairman, Mrs. Joe Stubbs, Mrs. Wm. Sikes, Marjorie Smith, Burnice Tanner, Mrs. Marvin McMullin, Helen Thomas.

County workers: Miner District—Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Baker, Mr. Louis Baker.

King-highway North: Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer.

McMullin: Marion Jewell, Chairman.

Himmell: Aulton Cravens, Chairman.

A second fire alarm Tuesday morning sounded about 10:30 called the fire fighters to the home of Mrs. Bettie Marshall, 504 Ranney Avenue. The blaze was caused from an over-heated stove, which set fire to the wall paper around the flue opening. A large portion of the ceiling was ablaze when Miss Kate Austin discovered the fire. The alarm was turned in but Miss Austin and Mrs. Marshall formed a bucket brigade and had the flames under control when help arrived on the scene.

MISSOURI LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES ORGANIZE

Jefferson City, Mo., November 16.—The legislative committees appointed by Gov. Gardner last week to settle with the State Auditor and Treasurer and to visit the various state institutions and report to the new Legislature upon their present condition and needs for the future, met here today and organized.

State Senator Thomas J. Lysaght of St. Joseph is chairman of the Auditing Committee, and the two members of the House are D. L. Bales of Shannon and Thomas B. Hodges of Warren. This committee commences work this evening. James L. Settle of Platte County was elected secretary of the committee.

The committee to visit the institutions is composed of State Senator Joseph H. Brogan of St. Louis, chairman, and Representatives C. L. Ferguson of Ripley and William Turbett of Cole, Wm. J. Kamp of St. Louis was named secretary. This committee will commence visiting the institutions Thursday of the present week, but the institutions will not be notified in advance of the coming of the committee, lest preparations should be made therefor. The committee wants to look over the institutions as they exist from day to day.

H. E. ALEXANDER NAMED REFEREE

St. Louis, Nov. 17.—Harry E. Alexander of Cape Girardeau, Mo., today was appointed by Judge Faris as Referee in Bankruptcy for the South-eastern Missouri District, to succeed Oscar A. Knehan. The latter's term will expire about November 23.

The appointment of Alexander is for two years.

SOME UNION LABOR GRAFT AND CRIME IS EXPOSED

For several weeks an investigation has been going on in New York City, which has brought to the surface startling conditions of graft and crime directly connected with the activities of labor leaders and agitators in the building trades.

The New York Evening World announces that in an independent investigation it has obtained proof that the bomb explosion in Wall Street on September 16th, which killed 30 persons, was set off by labor agitators who intended to kill the workmen who were affiliated with a rival group.

The full story as being brought out by the legislative investigating committee is a most amazing one of extortion and criminal domination by the head of a labor organization. Many large building contractors have testified that in order to get workmen to carry out their contracts they had to pay large sums of money to Robert P. Brindell, President of the Building Trades Council.

It has been testified repeatedly that contractors who refused to pay tribute to Brindell met with all kinds of labor troubles, frequently having their workmen called off on strike. It was testified that in some instances Brindell demanded as much as \$25,000 cash before he would permit union workmen to take jobs on large contracts. This wholesale graft added immensely to the cost of building and all construction work in New York. A grand jury has now taken up the investigation and bench warrants have been issued for a number of those implicated.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

One strawberry roan horse about 9 years old and about 16 hands high, weight about 1100 pounds fat and in good condition.

One brownish colored mare mule about 10 years old and about 15 hands high, with a blur in one eye. Blocky type.

One blue or mouse colored horse mule about 15 hands high and about 6 years old. This mule is of the rangy type.

The above stock disappeared from our farm in Big Opening on the night of the 14th inst. Will pay all charges for taking care of same, and will appreciate any information leading to their recovery.—Frank Shanks & Son, 2t.

Ernest Arterburn returned to Lake Village, Ark., the first of the week to get his car. He expects to remain in Sikeston the greater part of the winter.

OUR SPECIAL SALE FOR Spot Cash

Giving 20 Per Cent Off
in Dry Goods

is still in force as advertised November 2nd. We need and must have cash; for this reason the prices do not apply to charge accounts.

Special Sale of Outing and Gingham, While it Lasts, at 18c Net

Men's Shoes Still at a Sacrifice

For prices see our show window; representing a reduction of 20 to 30 per cent net as marked on tickets.



Ladies' and Children's Shoes

Having sold out a large quantity, we still offer three to four thousand pair at a reduction of 20 per cent.



On Ladies' Ready-to-Wear we now give a discount of 20 per cent for cash. This does not apply to charge accounts.

In our Clothing Department everything has been reduced 20 per cent as per prices indicated on each garment. Don't miss this opportunity.

We made ample provision through our efficient and ever courteous sales force to see that every customer will receive the required attention and that all those wishing to take advantage of this sacrifice sale shall not leave our emporium dissatisfied.



X. CAVERNO TO ATTEND BUREAU CONVENTION

Maryville, Mo., November 16.—The next meeting of the Executive Board of the Missouri Federation of Farm Bureaus will be held December 5 at Indianapolis, Ind., at the same time that the convention of the American Federation of Farm Bureaus is held. Those from Missouri who will attend are: John R. Evans, Maryville; Geo. C. Colburn, Harrisonville; Mrs. Chas. Schutler, Farmington; P. E. Donnell, Waco; George B. Safferson, Palmyra; Chester H. Gray, Nevada; Xenophon Caverno, Canolou; R. W. Brown, Carrollton. Legislation of interest to the Missouri farmers will be discussed at this time and measures which the farmers are seeking to have passed will be prepared in a program to present to the Legislature. Special efforts will be made this year to secure the passage of a "truth in fabric" bill so that persons will know when they are buying woolen goods.

GUARDS BLOCK ESCAPE OF FOUR PRISONERS

Jefferson City, Mo., Nov. 15.—Four convicts, two lifers and two sentenced for twenty-five years, made an attempt to escape from the state prison here this afternoon but were frustrated in their attempt by W. J. Williams and Chas. Gaslosser, guards. Gaslosser was hit over the head with a bottle by the convicts in a scuffle for his gun and in the fight which ensued Williams was shot in the breast. The quartette was stopped shortly they left their cells. Earl Hunter, a lifer of St. Louis, was shot in the head with a shot gun but it is thought that he is not seriously wounded. Prison authorities report this as being the first attempt to break jail by convicts since 1905.

MAN AND LION STAGE ACTUAL FIGHT; FORMER GETTING WORST OF IT

Quite a number of people who went into a sideshow of the Howe circus here last Friday afternoon to see what they supposed would be a "make-believe" combat between a lusty lion and his trainer were treated to more thrills than their money called for; they saw a real fight, and in which the untamable beast of the forest came out first-best.

As related, when the time arrived for the scene to be enacted, the lion trainer, Capt. Paul Moorman, entered the cage containing the big beast and drawing his revolver attempted to fire the same as a means of agitating the animal; the revolver failed to fire but the big beast got busy just the same and springing upon his trainer knocked the latter down and chewed up the right arm considerably besides lacerating the flesh in the man's side. Circus attendants who chanced to be nearby at the time rushed into the cage and drove the beast off, thereby rescuing their fellow showman.

The unfortunate trainer was brought to the office of Dr. W. L. Brandon where his wounds were dressed and he was later taken to the Gibbons Hotel, where he remained for a few days, then leaving here to join the circus people at their winter quarters.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

A notice appears in this issue published by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Butler County, notifying the landowners in the Little River Drainage District that the Board of Supervisors of that district will ask permission of the court to change the amended Plan for Drainage of that district so as to correct omissions and make more perfect the drainage system of the district.

We are informed by the attorneys for the district that the district is not seeking to assess any additional benefits because of the changes in the plan. The location of none of the ditches is to be changed and that the result will be to give the landowner in the district better drainage. The matter will be presented to the court in January.

GLASSES GLASSES GLASSES

To make your acquaintance I will make you best thing made in large shell frame complete with lenses for \$8.50.—Dr. Long Rooms 15 and 16, Keady Building.

Children's and ladies' gingham dresses priced right.—Pinnell Store Co.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING

The Sikeston Chamber of Commerce was called together in special session Monday, November 15, 1920 by President L. M. Stallcup at the hour of 7:45 p. m.

After a brief and open discussion from the floor of the proposed resolution in regard to road funds for Kingshighway, a copy of which is on file herein, it was moved by J. W. Black that the proposed resolution be adopted. The motion was duly seconded and adopted.

Upon motion of Dr. L. O. Rodes, duly seconded, the chair appointed J. W. Black, I. H. Dunaway, T. A. Wilson, C. H. Denman and D. B. Kevel, a committee of five to get the members of the Chamber to accompany them to the County Court of Scott County with the resolution above mentioned and to urge the Court to act in accordance therewith and to investigate the report of interest diversion from the Special Road Fund. Upon the further motion of Dr. L. O. Rodes, duly seconded and carried, the secretary was instructed to send copies of the said resolution to the State and Federal Highway Commissions.

And thereupon, Robert W. Nafe tendered in open meeting his resignation from the post of secretary. President L. M. Stallcup informed the Chamber of a joint meeting of the Executive and Finance Committees at which the secretary's resignation was discussed and informed the Chamber of the recommendation of the joint committees to pay the secretary half time on the remainder of his contract with the Chamber and to accept his resignation. After an open discussion of the proposed resignation from the floor it was moved by C. F. Bruton, duly seconded, that the Chamber accept the recommendation of the two committees. After a call for the question the Chamber voted in favor of Mr. Bruton's motion. And thereupon on the motion of Dr. L. O. Rodes, duly seconded, the Chamber voted the president authority to settle with Mr. Nafe.

After a general discussion of the affairs of the Chamber in which the idea of keeping the Chamber of Commerce active and going was championed by a large majority the meeting was duly adjourned.

The following are the minutes of the previous meeting of November 8, 1920:

The Sikeston Chamber of Commerce was called to order in regular meeting by President L. M. Stallcup, Monday, November 8, 1920 at the hour of 8:10 p. m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Upon motion of Emory Matthews, duly seconded, the Chamber voted to accept the resolution offered by the City of St. Charles and the secretary was instructed to fill out the blanks properly and send the said resolution to St. Charles.

The Constitution Committee reported changes in the present constitution which were read by the secretary and were laid aside until the next meeting to be voted upon.

After a general discussion of advertising the City of Sikeston through news items in the St. Louis newspapers, it was suggested that the secretary make arrangements to send news items from Sikeston to St. Louis papers. Upon motion of Dr. Stewart the Chamber voted to instruct the secretary to prepare a resolution to the County Court, the Federal Highway and State Highway commissions to set aside the present road building contract on Kingshighway and that the funds from the \$750,000 bond issue be used for permanent road improvement and that said resolution be read and voted upon at the next meeting.

Secretary's report was read and adopted.

Upon the suggestion of John Young, the President called the next meeting for the hour of 7:30 p. m. on the regular day.

Meeting was duly adjourned.

MISS BERGMAN GAVE CHAFING DISH PARTY

Miss Mary Bergman entertained a number of her friends at her home at 1443 Bessie street, with a chafing dish party Saturday evening. The party also attended the dance given at the Ideal on Broadway. Those present were Lorenz Fisher, Bergman Snyder and Mary Bergman of this city, A. J. Moore, Misses Helen Welsh and Lillian Kendall of Sikeston, Southeast Missourian.

SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAYS AT SKESTON, MISSOURI.

Entered at the Postoffice at Skeston, Scott County, Missouri, as second-class mail matter, according to act of Congress.

THE STANDARD is the only paper in Scott County that is published twice-a-week; for newspaper readers wanting the news while it is news, and for advertisers desiring quick results, it is the best medium.

The Standard announces the following new rates for advertising effective August 1, 1920:

Display advertising, per single column inch, net25c
Reading notices per line.....10c
Financial statements for banks.....\$6.00
Probate notices, minimum.....\$5.00

The Standard announces the following new rates for subscription effective September 1, 1920:

Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott and adjoining counties.....\$2.00
Yearly subscription elsewhere in United States.....\$2.50
No renewal allowed at present rate for longer than one year.

Foreign Advertising Representative THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

No farm home is complete without its local newspaper, its farm paper, and its daily paper.

About 210,000 person attended the 43 performances of opera at the St. Louis municipal auditorium in the season just closed.

"The Missouri Farm Name Law" helps the printer who helps himself, through registering farm names and developing farm stationery and advertising.

The average Missouri farmer has a thousand per cent advantages over the dry-farming resident of the West, Southwest and Northwest, with the same measure of effort.

Advertising is as profitable to the farmer as well as the merchant and other business men, and the farmer should use a similar amount of space dependent on the amount of public or private sale offerings.

"Good roads" help to insure the "top cent" on every marketable bushel of grain on the farm, as well as freeing the farmer from the domination and dictation of any local buyer, since "good roads" make it possible and practical for the producer to take his crops promptly and profitably to the terminal market if the local offerings are below the rightful figure.

LIVING PRICES BAR TO FRENCH MARRIAGES

Paris, Nov. 17.—Jacob may have worked seven years to earn enough to have a mate, but the average Frenchman is beginning to think that the Biblical gentleman had a snap compared to the present cost of starting a household in Paris. Statistics from a score of French industries show that the average wage of a French workman is about 12,000 francs a year, and from this sum only the thriftest will save 10 per cent.

The New York Herald's investigations indicate that a young couple wishing to try housekeeping in a small apartment, even if they get one, will have to pay at least 5,000 francs for the most ordinary bedroom furnishings; 1,500 francs for kitchen furniture, cooking utensils and a stove; another 2,000 for dining room, tables, chairs, plates, etc., with not less than 1,500 each for expenses incident to the marriage such as tips to mayors, indigent cures and the three-day wedding trip to the Paris suburbs.

It is generally conceded that the French soldiers pay of less than a franc a day during the war left nothing for thrift, and it is evident that unless the brides do help out, the average worker will have to wait at least ten years before he can take the woman of his choice. The natural conclusion is that, while Jacob may have had to use a rough stone for a pillow, he did not have to worry about the high cost of living.

Early Days in Washington.

When Congress first met in Washington there was but one hotel, the Indian Queen. The landlord, James Brown, came to the curbstone to welcome guests when the stage arrived. A glance at the traveler enabled him to assign him to right quarters. The new guest was always met for his first meal at the dining room door by the landlord, who was attired in a white apron and escorted him to a seat. The landlord occupied the head of the table and carved and served the plates. In carving and serving he always mentioned the fine qualities of the food, speaking in a loud voice. The expense of living at the Indian Queen was \$1.75 per day, \$10 per week or \$35 per month. Brandy and whisky decanters were on the table and the guests helped themselves. Ben Perley Poore.

The herring forms the chief fisheries of the British Isles, and it is estimated that 2,200,000,000 herrings are landed in Britain during one season.

DEATH CREW LURKS IN WAITING FOR HARDING

Washington, Nov. 16.—Insurgent Republican senators will put it up to President-elect Harding to decide whether there shall be peace or war in Republican ranks after Harding takes office, a leading "irreconcilable" said here today.

Harding can assure himself of the co-operation of the irreconcilables and keep his party undivided in the Senate, this leader said, if he will refuse to heed the counsels of those whom the "insurgents" call "reactionaries". If he listens to the reactionaries, he faces war with the insurgents, it was declared.

The insurgents, if he chooses war, are preparing for it. The programme is already well defined. It was outlined today by the leader referred to. This senator scouted claims of regular Republican leaders that they would be able to quell insurgency in the Senate because of the big Republican plurality. The treaty irreconcilables number a dozen, but all of these would not be "insurgents" on domestic questions such as taxation. However, the senator said that his faction, if forced to fight against reactionary measures, would not hesitate to combine with the Democrats. That would endanger Republican control, he predicted.

The essentials of the "insurgents" programme are these:

First—They will refuse to accept cabinet positions or other offices under Harding, if they are offered. They intend, it was asserted, to accept nothing that would put them under obligation or that would shut them up, shelve them or make them unable to start a rumput any time they see fit.

Second—They will play a waiting game, letting the regular leaders control them, until they see whether Harding is accepting advice from the "reactionaries," either on the treaty or on domestic questions.

Third—Having won their point on the league of nations covenant, they will next attack the treaty itself, mainly its economic provisions, will try to stir up public opinion against them in an effort to have Harding reject the peace settlement in its present form just as he rejected the league covenant.

Notice of Drainage Hearing.

To the owners and all persons interested in the lands, corporate and other property in and adjacent to The Little River Drainage District:

You and each of you are hereby notified that The Little River Drainage District, by its Board of Supervisors, has filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Butler County, Missouri, a petition praying said court for permission and authority to further correct and amend the amended Plan for Drainage of The Little River Drainage District so as to enable it to improve the efficiency of its reclamation system and to that end asks that it may change the dimensions of ditches numbered and described as three, eight, ten and the Hill Diversion Channel that are located in the West Extension territory of said district in the manner set out in the petition, and to also correct, change and amend that part of the amended Plan for Drainage providing for the construction of ditch numbered one in the original district, and for authority to construct an additional channel to be known as Sals Creek Diversion Channel, and to correct and change the construction of ditches numbered one, fifty-five, fifty-six and sixty in the original district as provided in the original Plan for Drainage and to approve and confirm the present construction thereof, and unless you show cause to the contrary on or before the first day of the next term of the Butler County Circuit Court to be held on the 3rd day of January, 1921, the prayer of said petition may be granted. (Seal)

WILLIAM McGUIRE, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Butler County, Missouri.

Probably the cheapest way to produce pork is by the corn, clover or alfalfa, and a little tankage method, according to B. H. Kern, county Agent of Grundy County. More pork will be produced to the acre by hogging down corn than by scooping corn with a shovel. Limit the acreage that the hogs will clean up as they go. A twenty-six inch woven wire fence fastened to a post at each end of the field, tied to corn stalks between the posts or to sticks driven for the purpose, is the method being used by some Grundy County farmers for fencing off a small acreage so that the hogs will clean up the corn as they go. A mineral mixture for keeping the hogs in good condition should be used.

The poet Cowper tried to commit suicide twice and failed, after which he wrote the famous hymn, "God Moves in a Mysterious Way."

PIRATES OF CROW'S NEST WIPED OUT

One hundred and seventy miles above Natchez there is a place in the Mississippi river called Nine Mile Reach. About half way in this reach is a small island, which at the time of this history, namely in 1809, was called Crow's Nest. It was inhabited exclusively by river pirates. They were a desperate gang. The people on the main land in the vicinity felt it safer to condone their depredations upon the flat boats rather than invite their efforts to their own property by opposing them.

Many a boat and their crews had fallen into their hands and never had again been heard of.

It so happened on one occasion that in the head of Nine Mile Reach there were nine boats laying to on account of a strong up stream wind which kicked up a such rough river they could not pursue their journey to New Orleans whither they were all bound.

The crews of these boats visited each other and played cards together told stories and otherwise amused themselves as best they could to while away the time.

One morning on one of the boats there was a party playing cards and talking, when the conversation turned to the pirates on the island below. Many of these men had heard a great deal of them and some of them had had encounters with them.

While the talk was on one man sat apart and was silent. He was a captain of one of the boats lying there and lived somewhere in Ohio. He was a tall raw boned man with a marked stoop. His face marked him as a man of strong character. He had small blue eyes set deep under heavy brows. His mouth was large though his lips were thin and his chin protruded and was inclined to be pointed. While his forehead was low his head was well shaped and covered with a shock of iron gray hair that had been brown.

After a while he turned to the crowd and said: "Would you boys be willing to join a raiding party and go down there and rid this reach of that pirate band?" They said they would and the matter was discussed among them and it was finally agreed that they would make a trip to all the boats lying there and ask for volunteers to go after the pirates.

That afternoon a party was organized under the leadership of Capt. Ironton, for such was his name, and other preparations made for the raid.

There were 75 men in the party, all well armed. At 2 o'clock in the morning they embarked in their skiffs and made a landing on the head of Crow's Nest without being discovered. As they approached the camp of the pirates they were fired upon, but without effect. A battle ensued, which resulted in the capture of 19 pirates, two women and a boy 15 years old. Two of the flatboatmen were killed and one wounded. The women and the boy were put into a skiff and ordered to pull for the main shore. They needed no second bidding and soon disappeared in the darkness.

Just how the 19 pirates were disposed of was never known, but after that nothing but crows inhabited the Crow's Nest.—J. S. Hacker in the Cairo Bulletin.

The Desert's Idea.

History is against the probability of the creation of an Arabian empire. The Semitic mind does not lean toward system of organization," said Col. Thomas E. Lawrence recently.

"The Semites are represented by very little art, architecture, philosophy. But we find an amazing fertility among the Semites in the creation of creeds and religions. Three of these creeds—Judaism, Christianity and Mohammedanism—have become great world movements. The broken fragments of countless other religions which have failed are found today on the fringes of the desert.

"The desert seems to produce only one idea—the universality of God. We who have gone out to discover the meaning of the desert, have found only emptiness—nothing but sand, wind, soil and empty space. The Bedouins leave behind them every extraneous comfort and go to live in the desert, in the very arms of starvation, that they may be free. The desert exacts a price for its secret. It makes the Bedouins entirely useless to their fellowmen. There has never been a Bedouin prophet. On the other hand there has never been a Semitic prophet who has not before preaching his message, gone into the desert and caught from the desert dwellers a reflection of their belief. The idea of the absolute worthlessness of the present world is a pure desert conception, at the root of every Semitic religion, which must be filtered through the screen of a nomad prophet before it can be accepted by a settled people."—Lowell Thomas in "Asia."

Appleton shellers make money for their owners.—Farmers Supply Co.

PIG WEIGES 308 POUNDS AT 208 DAYS OF AGE

An unusual incident of rapid growth and fattening of a pig is reported by the Ohio Experiment Station.

One pig used in experimental work weighed 3.7 pounds at birth; at the time the test was completed the pig was 6 months and 24 days of age and weighed 308 pounds, making an average daily gain of 1.46 pounds.

At the weight of 87 pounds the pig was started on a 105-day feeding test in which it gained 2.1 pounds daily.

Besides rape pasture, the feed consisted of corn, 14 parts and tankage 1 part, by weight, when the test was begun; when the pig reached a weight of 125 pounds, ration of corn 19 parts, tankage 1 part, was fed.

FOR SALE—Why not own your home? We are offering for sale one of the best little farms of 165 1-2 acres in Scott County, Missouri. An ideal farm for corn, wheat, clover, alfalfa. About 15 acres of this tract is fine for watermelons and cowpeas, conveniently located to church, school and market. On Charleston and Blodgett road, with rock road completed within 1/4 mile. All in cultivation with good house, barn and outbuildings. Small payment with easy terms. For further information see B. M. Swank or W. K. Burnett, Charleston, Mo. 4 wk.

Among the wild Tauregs of the Tripoli desert woman's sway is absolute. The Taureg woman shows her face to the world! It is the men who go coyly veiled. Descent is traced entirely through the female line. To obtain a wife a man has to pay a price that, in view of the Taureg standard of wealth, is nothing less than sheer profiteering. Consequently the young bloods are forced to join the hazzies, or robbing raids, which have destroyed the trans-Siberian trade, that they may appease the rapacity of their lady loves.

The Dempster Undertaking Company, of Skeston, Missouri, is fully equipped with all up-to-date conveniences Funeral Parlor, Auto Hearse Service and orders taken for Flowers for all occasions. G. A. Dempster, as Funeral Director and Embalmer, has had 23 years experience and holds Missouri and Illinois State license. Ray Hudson, competent young man, is assistant. Odd Fellows Building. Phones: Day 66, Night 294. tf.

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Notice of Administration

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That Letters of administration on the estate of James H. Matthews, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 1st day of November, 1920, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

Elmer J. Matthews, Administrator.
WITNESS my hand and seal of the Probate Court of Scott County.

Thos. B. Dudley, Probate Judge.

PHONOGRAPH BARGAIN—To save the expense of reshipping, we offer special bargains on two slightly used phonographs that we have on hand at Skeston. Address W. W. Kimball Co., Factory Branch, Kansas City, Missouri. tf. T. & F.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

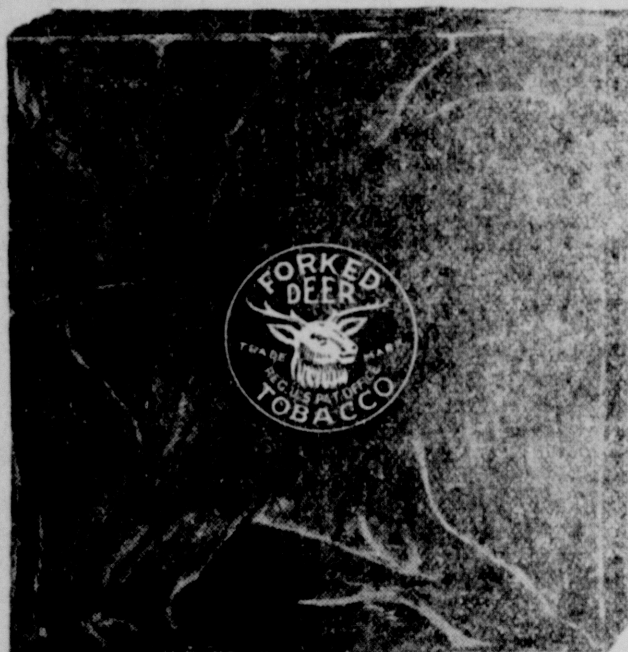
40 acres well drained, black clay, can ridge, cut-over land behind St. John Levee, 2 miles from City of New Madrid, Mo. Two big Government dragline levee building machines now at work, reclaiming these lands. In a very short time these lands will rival the Little River Drainage lands, which are now selling at \$75.00 to \$200 per acre.

I will sell this land at \$40 per acre or trade for new Ford cars or any other good new car or cars up to amount of land or will take Liberty Bonds at face value.—W. S. Waters, Box 288, New Madrid, Mo. 2 issues.

This is the year to kill a large number of hogs to cure hams and bacon from your own swine that you are fattening. Genuine "country cured ham" always has a ready market in case you have an over-supply of well-smoked meat.

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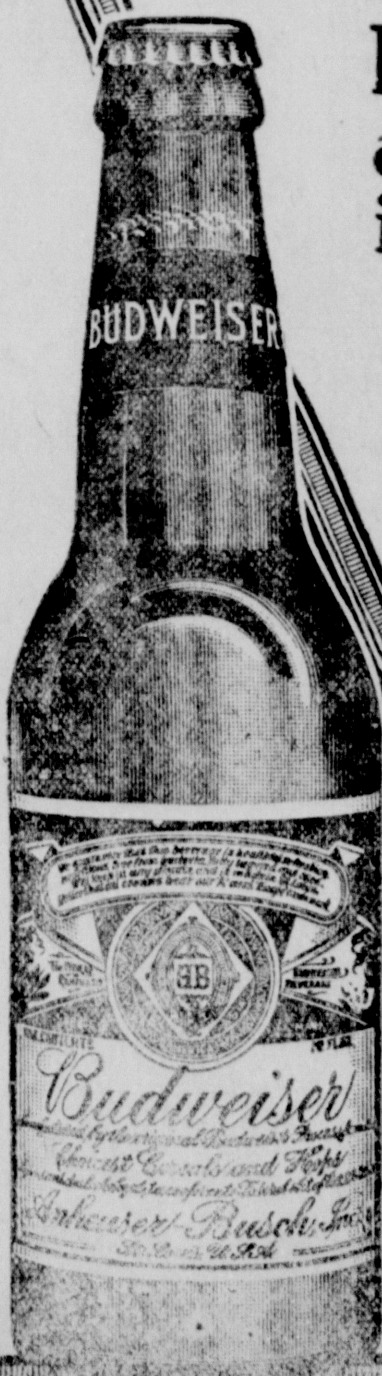


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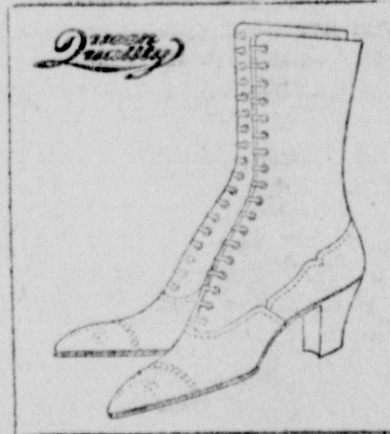
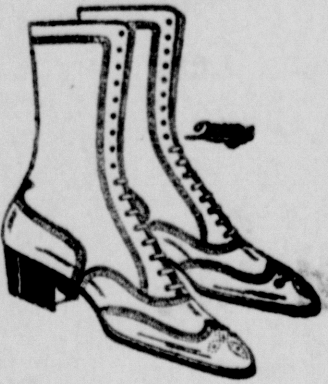
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Ladies and Misses Shoes Reduced 20 Per Cent

This store takes advantage of every opportunity to give our customers merchandise as cheap as possible. Therefore, we are giving the public the opportunity to buy such shoes as Queen Quality at a reduction of 20 per cent. We suggest that you come in and get your feet fixed up for the winter now, while we are in position to give you this reduction.

All Ladies and Misses Shoes in Our Store
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MATTHEWS ITEMS

Willard Shain of Skeston spent several days in this city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts went to New Madrid Tuesday.

Walter McGee was a Matthews visitor Tuesday.

The traveling salesman for Swift & Co. was in our town Tuesday taking orders for that company.

Mrs. A. J. Lawrence arrived in Matthews Monday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Prim Hawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Story and family returned Monday night from Galeonda, Ill., where they had been to attend the funeral for Mrs. Story's sister, Miss Marion Lawrence.

Wiley L. Davis of Steele, Mo., was in this city Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Ted Swartz was a Skeston visitor Friday.

Prim Hawkins went to East Prairie Tuesday on business.

The following went down on the bayou Sunday for a picnic: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ratcliffe and family, Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schnierbaugh and family.

Mrs. Chas. Spalding entertained a number of little girls at her home Saturday afternoon in honor of her small daughter, Lola's ninth birthday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele shopped in Skeston Wednesday.

Thos. Holderby went to New Madrid Tuesday.

Mrs. John Priddy of Skeston has been the guest of Mrs. Roe Hill.

Fred French of Chaffee visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luke French Monday.

Edward Steele, Tom Farris, W. H. Deane, and B. F. Swartz motored to New Madrid Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Green Ball of near La Forge attended church here Sunday and were guests of Mrs. Ball's son, W. M. McGee.

Dr. Blaylock was in Matthews Tuesday, with the view of purchasing the Mrs. Thos. Holderby property.

Nice silk hose for ladies and men at the right price.—Pinnell Store Co.

Clyde Richards left Wednesday afternoon for Brownstown, Indiana called there by a message informing him of the death of his grandfather, E. L. Borders. Mrs. Richards, who left Tuesday to be at the bedside of her father, arrived in Brownstown just a few minutes before her father passed away.

Our Hubby's gone away. Hurray! Hurray!

Flannelette 25c per yd.—Pinnell Store Co.

Mrs. Ada Vaughn visited Wednesday and Thursday with her daughters in Oran.

Miss Nettie Carter was in last week from Croston for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. J. B. Campbell was in Cairo Thursday to consult Dr. Dunn about her eyes.

Mrs. Mary Priddy returned Wednesday from a brief visit with friends in Matthews.

Lost or Stolen—Black and red lap robe from my car, Saturday night.—Clyde Meyers.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crumpecker of Morehouse were among the out-of-town shoppers in Skeston Wednesday.

H. L. Smith went Wednesday evening to Cairo for a visit with Mrs. Smith, who is under treatment at St. Mary's Infirmary.

Mrs. Byron Guthrie came over from Charleston Wednesday morning for a brief visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Roush.

Mrs. Betie Marshall and Miss Kate Austin have closed their home at 504 North Ranney Avenue and left Wednesday afternoon for Cape Girardeau, where they will spend the winter months with Mrs. Florence Marshall.

Mrs. J. L. Tanner, Miss Burnice Tanner and Mrs. Moore Greer accompanied by Miss Helen Marshall of Charleston left Wednesday night for St. Louis. They plan to remain until Sunday.

The fire truck made a run early Tuesday morning in response to an alarm turned in from Mill A., the largest of the Scott County Milling Company mills. The blaze was caused by the upsetting of a gasoline blow torch being used by workmen. The flaming gasoline spread instantly and Gus Zacher, head miller, was quickly enveloped in flames. His hands were badly burned before fellow employees could extinguish the blaze. Bert Shuffit also suffered painfully burned hands trying to assist Zacher. The men might possibly have been killed had it not been for a pile of corn cobs in the room in which they rolled to smother the fire. As it was, the burns while painful, were not serious enough to keep them away from work in the afternoon.

FACES FEDERAL CHARGE

J. J. Tynes, Charged With Violation of Mann Act, Held on Another Charge

Thomas J. Walsh, assistant United States district attorney, issued a warrant yesterday for J. J. Tynes, now being held in the county jail to await the action of the grand jury, following his arrest on a charge of embezzlement Tuesday by the Memphis police. Federal authorities have preferred a charge of violation of the Mann act against Tynes, who, they allege, transported Miss Lottie Peyton from Matthews, Mo., to Memphis, in September of this year. He will be arraigned in federal court this morning at 10 o'clock for a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner Poole. Miss Peyton and Mrs. L. Miller of 158 Vanuue Avenue have been subpoenaed as witnesses.

Tynes was arrested Tuesday upon the complaint of the Dan Shea Boller Works, who charge that he collected without authority money belonging to the firm.—Commercial Appeal.

Miss Mabel Abbotts, a representative of a News Service concern of Kansas City, was in Skeston Wednesday to interview Leonard McMullin, "the airplane farmer" and to gather other data for articles on Southeast Missouri.

The Union Thanksgiving Service will be held at the Methodist Church Thanksgiving morning at 10:30. Rev. H. P. Crowe, presiding elder of the Charleston District, will preach the sermon. Rev. G. C. Greenway, pastor of the Baptist Church, and Rev. A. H. Barnes pastor of the Methodist Church, will assist in the service.

Miss Eva Hess was hostess Friday afternoon to members of the Russell-Bradley Missionary Society. Members present were Mrs. Si Harper, Mrs. Fellows, Mrs. Lacey Allard, Mrs. Miles C. Thomas, Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Mrs. A. H. Barnes, Miss Florence Baker, Mrs. J. M. Pittman, Mrs. Clarence Felker and Miss Helen Hess. The next meeting, to be held the second Friday in December, will be at the home of Mrs. Miles Thomas with Mrs. Wallace Applegate as leader.

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The report was current Thursday that Fred Groves of Cape Girardeau, has disposed of his interest in the Groves-Stubbs Motor Company of this city. We were unable to learn, before going to press, any of the particulars of the sale, other than that the buyer is a Skeston man.

Mr. Lella Henson has shipped her household goods to Grays Ridge and will make that place her home for the future. The Henson home at 635 South Kingshighway has been rented by Mr. and Mrs. George A. Stone, who are making preparations to move to town Monday.

Miss Marion Kirk, a former instructor in the Skeston High School, writes that she is very pleasantly located in the South Dakota State Normal at Spearish, S. D. She also states that her salary this year is just twice that received last year. She has been visiting the latter's mother, Mrs.

C. C. White, J. E. Smith Sr., and W. A. Goodpasture transacted business in Oran Wednesday.

Mrs. L. D. Randol returned Sunday from Cairo, where she spent two days with her sister, Mrs. John Dill, who underwent a surgical operation at St. Mary's Infirmary.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Marr arrived Wednesday of last week from Honolulu for a visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Marr, living east of this city. This is young Marr's first visit home during the five or six years he has been in army service. His wife was formerly Miss Helen Mulholland of Honolulu. Their marriage occurred in that city in November, 1919. Young Mrs. Marr is not favorably impressed with the cold weather that struck the country about the time she reached the States. She and her husband were both shivering and blue with cold, despite heavy winter clothes and wraps, when in town Tuesday on a shopping trip. They plan to remain here for another week or ten days then will probably return to the Hawaiian Isles.

Miss Fern Allen will entertain at cards this (Friday) evening at the home of Mrs. Thornton Wilson, 221anner Street. The guest list includes: Mrs. W. B. Malone, Mrs. Carl Riga, Mrs. E. A. Lawrence, Mrs. Ranney Applegate, Mrs. Moore Greer, Mrs. Charles Lindley, Mrs. Jess Kimes, Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Mrs. L. O. Rodes, Miss Irma Wilson, Mrs. Arnold Roth, Miss Gladys Kendall, Miss Irene Hollister, Miss Grace Estes, Miss Laura Ruhl, Mrs. Forrest Hobbs, Miss Anna Randol, Miss Amy Allen, Miss Marjorie Smith, Mrs. Harry Dudley, Miss Goldie Fowler, Miss Eva Carter, Mrs. Carl Bess, Mrs. Emory Matthews, Mrs. Joe Stubbs Jr., Miss Hazel Stubbs, Mrs. Marvin McMullin, Miss Gretchen Dunaway, Miss Camille Klein, Mrs. Earl Johnson, Mrs. Murray Klein, Mrs. Hal Galeener, Mrs. Lynn Stallcup, Mrs. W. E. Derris, Mrs. Dan McCoy, Mrs. Will Sikes, Mrs. Joe Matthews, Mrs. John Fisher, Mrs. Ned Matthews, Miss Vera Walpole, Miss Margaret Shanks, Mrs. J. H. Yount, Miss Clara Moore, Mrs. Ruskin Cook, Mrs. W. H. Tanner, Mrs. Laura Slack, Misses Mayme and Nina Marshall, Mrs. Charles L. Blanton, Mrs. Harry C. Blanton, Mrs. Frank Van Horne, Mrs. Paul Anderson, Miss Allie Howard and Mrs. R. Wiley.

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PERSONAL NEWS

Of Town and Country

Try Dudley's Tomato Bouillon
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Try Dudley's Tomato Bouillon
Mrs. John A. Matthews visited in Oran Tuesday.

S. U. Bugg and daughter, Miss Blanche, spent Wednesday in Cairo.

Mrs. Harry Lampert left Tuesday afternoon for a few days' stay in St. Louis.

The Best Hot Chocolate in town at Dudley's Place.

Chas. L. Blanton Jr., returned Tuesday morning from a few days' stay in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate and Lynn Smith were visitors in Cairo Sunday.

Martha Washington Candies at Dudley's.

Mrs. F. W. Riga of St. Louis visited her son, Earl Riga and wife from Friday until Tuesday.

The Best Hot Chocolate in town at Dudley's Place.

Mrs. Ranney Applegate expects to leave today (Friday) for a month's visit with relatives in Joplin.

Hersheys Almond Bars 8 cents or 2 for 15 at Dudley's.

Mrs. John Lay returned Wednesday from Cairo, where she has been a patient at St. Mary's Infirmary.

Hersheys Plain Milk Chocolate Bars 8 cents or 2 for 15 at Dudley's.

Arch Russell and little daughter Emily were over from Charleston Wednesday for a visit with relatives.

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A box supper will be given at the Boardman School Thanksgiving night, November 25 for the benefit of the school library.

36 in. Percales 35c per yard.—Pinnell Store Co.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Dover Monday, November 15, an 8½ pound boy. Mother and son are reported to be doing nicely.

Mrs. E. F. Mouser was in Cape Girardeau Tuesday taking her daughter, Jewell, to Dr. Yount for treatment for eye trouble.

W. H. Carter went to Cairo Wednesday for a brief visit with his daughter, Mrs. John Dill, who is a patient in St. Mary's Infirmary.

Charley Keith went to Cairo Wednesday morning taking his sister, Mrs. Lora Williams to St. Mary's Infirmary for an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Emma Kendall, Mrs. Wallace Applegate and little Miss Lillian Gail Applegate motored to Commerce Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Clara Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kendall returned to Skeston Monday from a visit in East St. Louis. They left Tuesday afternoon for their home near Kawanee.

J. H. Galeener, Joe Stubbs Jr., and Charles Prowe, who spent several days this week on business in St. Louis, returned home Wednesday morning.

Oran has been filled this week with out-of-town buyers, who are taking advantage of the 40 per cent off bargains offered by the Banks' Department Store.

Ed Hollingsworth made a business trip to Cairo Thursday.

Mrs. W. B. Robinson and daughter, Miss Irene, were shopping in Cairo Thursday.

Mrs. A. B. Skillman and Mrs. Ella Old were in Cairo Tuesday for a brief visit.

The Co-Workers will hold a cake sale Saturday, November 27 at the O. K. Drug Store.

Mrs. Paul Woerth of Poplar Bluff was the guest of Miss Daisy Garden Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. J. B. Campbell visited her daughter, Mrs. J. P. Stearns in Lilbourn Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hall, who have Rooney, left Thursday morning for their home in Pine Bluff, Ark.

Mrs. Frank Van Horne will entertain this (Friday) afternoon with seven table for Five Hundred.

Mrs. J. F. Carmack, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Girard Dover, returned Wednesday to her home in St. Louis.

Mrs. Charles Prowe and Mrs. Harry Smith were in Cairo Monday night and Tuesday for a visit with Mrs. Handy Smith.

Henry Welsh has recently purchased from W. H. Raush, the property at 401 North Kingshighway, known as the B. F. Lennox place.

The picture to be shown tonight (Friday) at the Methodist church is a Real art production, one lately released. The picture will be shown at the usual hour.

The Chillicothe Business College has secured Mr. Traugbner Hultz as leader of the college orchestra for the present season. Mr. Hultz also greatly strengthens the orchestra by playing first violin.

Martha Washington Candies at Dudley's.

Mrs. Albert Shields and Miss Louise Probst were visitors in Cairo Wednesday.

HIDES WE BUY ALL KINDS.—WALPOLES MARKET.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gipson and babe, Mrs. Alfred Calvine and little daughter Juanita, visited in Parma from Sunday until Tuesday.

Get our prices on men's hats and caps.—Pinnell Store Co.

Mrs. Tom Baker returned Wednesday from East Prairie, where she spent the past week with her mother, who has been very sick.

The big money raising sale of the Banks' Department Store at Oran is now on. No one should fail to visit this store and secure some of the unusual bargains offered.

Mrs. Ella Williams expects to go to Illmo Saturday for a few days' visit, after which she will return to Skeston for a more extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Dover.

Mrs. E. L. Richards left Tuesday afternoon for Brownston, Ind., in response to a message stating that her father, E. L. Borders, was not expected to recover from a serious illness.

The many Skeston friends of Mrs. John Dill of Carbondale, Ill., will be glad to learn she is recovering nicely from a very serious operation performed recently at St. Mary's Infirmary.

Mrs. Laura Slack and Theodor Slack entertained Mrs. Paul Hand, Moore, Misses Pauline and Nadine Moore, of Charleston, Miss Frisbee of Arkansas and Miss Helen Churchill of Vinita, Oklahoma, at dinner Tuesday.

Clarkton is to have a small factor, for the making of a composition to be used in clearing land, and which is said to kill live trees, sprouts shrub and other undergrowth in from five to forty days without injuring the soil.

Mrs. O. E. Kendall and Mrs. Calvin Greer of this city were among the guests at a dinner given in Charleston Thursday in celebration of the birthday of Mrs. Joe Russell. The dinner was given at the home of Mrs. Walter Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes entertained Wednesday evening at their home on North Kingshighway, with a 6 o'clock dinner. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Theodore Slack, Dave and James Kevil.

Robert Nafe, whose resignation a Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, was reluctantly accepted Monday evening, left Wednesday night for Cleveland, Ohio to visit his brother. Mr. Nafe plans to locate near the Pacific Coast.

A notice received from the Redpath-Horner Lyceum Bureau states that owing to throat trouble which necessitates an operation, the speaking engagement of J. Hamilton Lewis, scheduled for November 26, must be postponed until the latter part of January or the early Spring.

Mrs. Joe Nolan of Bucklyn, Mo., and Miss Vera White of Los Angeles, California, arrived Friday of last week for a visit with their sister-in-law and neices, Mrs. Katherine White, Anne and Katherine White. Mrs. Nolan returned home Monday afternoon. Miss White expects to leave today to visit other points in the State before returning to California.

Mrs. A. B. Skillman will be hostess at a "Comfort Tacking" thi (Friday) afternoon at her home on Woodlawn Avenue. Included among the guests are: Mrs. J. A. Hess, Mr. H. P. Crowe, Mrs. John Stinson, Mrs. Emma Kendall, Mrs. A. J. Moore, Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. Laura Smith, Mrs. Charles Frank, Mrs. F. M. Sikes, Mrs. Rube Matthews, Mrs. O. E. Kendall, Mrs. Wallace Applegate and Mrs. V. D. Hunter.

Bridge was the game played Tuesday evening at a most delightful party given by Mrs. Carl Bess at her home on North Kingshighway. Guests invited on this occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Ruskin Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Applegate, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Haas, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Horne, Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Klein, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stallcup, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindley, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Banton, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dover, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Belden, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bruton, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Galeener, Mr. and Mrs. Girard Dover, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Randal Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Way, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kendall, D. B. and James Kevil, Misses Fern Allen, Gretchen Dunaway, Leita Lindley, Camille Klein and Hazel Stubbs.

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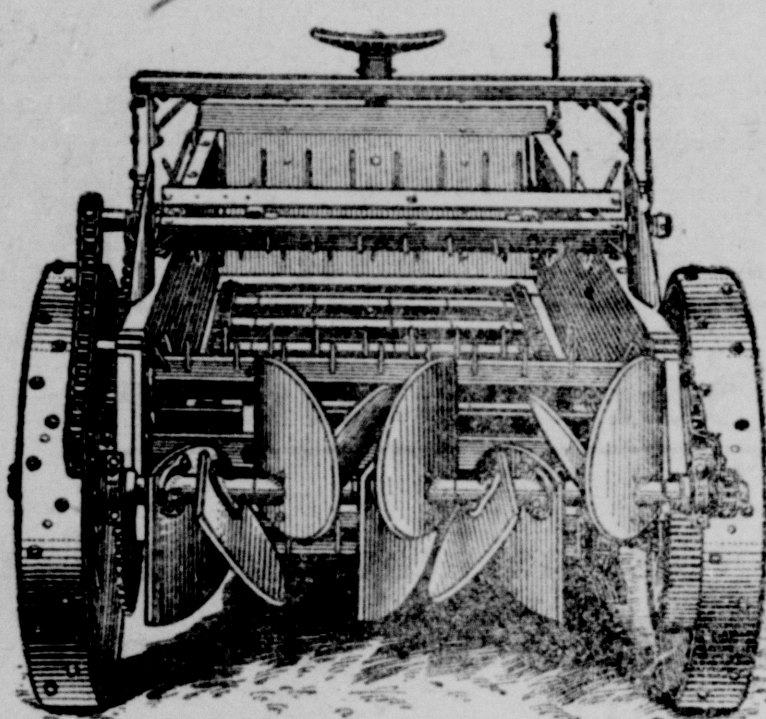
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'KING COTTON' FINDS DUNKLIN COUNTY SOIL JUST TO HIS LIKING

Fleecy Staple Growing in Importance
Among Missouri's Products.

Kennett, Mo., November 14.—Although Dunklin County is hauling in a big cotton crop this year, as it does every year for that matter, it is difficult just now to work up much enthusiasm about it.

It's a good deal like the wheat business out in Kansas, at times. Along in June when the crop is being harvested and the newspapers are full of estimates on the bigness of the yield, everybody is tickled to death and the entire landscape rings with glad shouts of enthusiasm. Then, when the car shortage comes and the price drops off, the enthusiasm is succeeded by a huge crust of gloom.

"What difference does it make how much I produce, if it brings me less than the cost of production?"

Wheat producers have been asking that question in a loud, raucous voice for many a bygone month, and the cotton growers, along with producers of practically all other farm products, are joining in the chorus with no little vigor. Whatever cotton had dropped down to yesterday, it is a good bet that it will go even lower today. And in the face of such conditions it is a difficult matter to work up much hurrah about "the fleecy staple" just now. The one ray of hope in the whole situation is the confidence that things cannot always go on thus.

King Cotton

Nevertheless, the fact remains that "cotton is king", and Dunklin County, at least so far as Missouri is concerned, is the center and seat of his kingdom. There are an even dozen counties in the state that produce cotton, and Dunklin County stands head and shoulders above them all. And cotton is rapidly growing in importance among Missouri products, according to figures compiled by the State Board of Agriculture. In 1895, for instance, Missouri produced only 11,816 bales on 47,772 acres. Since then the acreage has steadily gained, with occasional temporary decreases, until in 1940, 100,000 acres of cotton were produced. In 1915 the acreage dropped back to 96,000, but jumped up to 153,000 in 1917. Last year the total acreage was placed at 125,000. The biggest cotton year, from the standpoint of production, was 1911, when 96,000 bales were produced on 129,000 acres. The average yield per acre that year was 360 pounds. Last year the average was 257 pounds per acre and the total yield 64,213 bales.

The average yield in Dunklin county is greater than any place else except in California, where it is grown under irrigation. Last year the Dunklin County average was 264 pounds per acre on the 56,350 acres grown, and the output was 29,865 bales. The adjoining county of Pemiscot is credited with 20,597 bales, grown on 37,450 acres, for 1919.

Just what the crop will total this year is hard to determine, with much of it still to be picked. But the average is up to the usual standard, and it is said by some men here that around 60 per cent of the land under cultivation in this county is in cotton. Dunklin County does not get full credit for all it produces, as considerable quantities are taken out of the county for ginning.

What Dunklin County can really do in producing big yields of cotton was told the correspondent by R. I. Jones, a farmer and cotton buyer here.

"From a field of thirty-six acres Henry Barnes at Holcomb produced an average of 2210 pounds per acre," he said. "The ground was measured and the cotton carefully weighed, so there could be no mistake about it."

Wonderful Quality

And quality! Dunklin County defies any other section to produce better cotton. At the St. Louis world's fair in 1904 Dunklin County cotton took first prize over all the great cotton-producing states of the South. The fiber produced here is of superior excellence and far above average spinning strength. Seed from other sections producing only a half-inch fiber will ultimately produce a fiber an inch or more in length after it has been grown here a few years. A soil highly adapted to cotton is given as the reason.

Some of this cotton land can be bought for \$200 to \$250 an acre while some has sold as high as \$350 depending on location and improvements.

More live stock is one of the needs of this country, according to some men familiar with conditions here. There are practically no herds of pure-bred beef cattle, although a good start is being made with better hogs. Some say the price of land is too high to make beef cattle profitable. On the other hand there are those who see this as an ideal live stock section, with its long pasture season,

mild climate and ability to grow almost every kind of forage crop a cow will eat.

"This country is no small producer of corn and sorghs," said W. L. Flannery, county agent, "and there is an excellent opening for breeders of pure-bred stuff. More live stock ultimately will become a necessity, as continued cropping is reducing the average yield, and the use of fertilizers will also become necessary in the end."

This view seems to be supported by a recent report from Missouri University, which says that fertilizer can be used profitably with cotton down here. In the last two years experiments conducted by the university at Kennett have shown a net profit of \$8 an acre from moderate applications of acid phosphate.

The university report says better cotton is being grown here than formerly. Tests made to determine the most productive varieties show differences in yield as high as 150 pounds of lint to the acre. The university men say Dunklin County farmers are discarding the poorer varieties and growing the better kind. Selection of better seed, a move backed by Southeast Missouri farm bureaus, is another hopeful sign. Growers point out that it means greater production and a much better stand.

Just now the cotton grower is wrestling with the market problem, and dwindling prices are his nightmare. But cotton is not purely a Southeast Missouri problem; it is a world problem, for civilized man can no more exist without cotton than he can "without cooks." There will be no appreciable increase in the world acreage land that grows good cotton. But Dunklin County has vast tracts of the land that produces it, and cotton the world must have.

When people down here reflect on the situation from that viewpoint, they settle back and are glad they live in Dunklin County, knowing the cotton man's present predicament is only a temporary irritant.—Ira D. Mullinax, Weekly Globe-Democrat.

STRAYED OR STOLEN

Liver and white pointer dog, 10 years old. Warts on back and around feet. Will pay liberal reward for information leading to his recovery.—E. C. Matthews, Sikeston, Mo.

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FIND CRUSADES RELIC

Tapestry Over 1,000 Years Old Discovered in French Church.

Paris, Nov. 18.—The opening of a reliquaire in the ancient church in Saint Josse-sur-Mer, Department of Pas de Calais, revealed an elaborate tapestry which is more than 1,000 years old and which Eustache XII of Boulogne brought back with him from a crusade to the Holy Land. The value of the tapestry is estimated at more than \$500,000, as it is in perfect condition.

The tapestry has been presented to the French Academy of Inscriptions by the Trocadero Museum, which traced its origin. According to experts it bears the name of Westekin Cadi, who was put to death by his master in Khorassan in the year A. D. 961. Therefore the tapestry is older than that found in the tomb of Charlemagne, which is now carefully preserved in Aix-la-Chapelle.

Two cafes, a furniture store and grocery store in the main business block of Clinton, Ky., were destroyed by fire which was discovered shortly after 6 o'clock Sunday night. The loss was estimated at \$1,000,000.

The fire originated in the cafe of Mess Bros., and is believed to have been caused by an overheated stove. The flames quickly spread to the other buildings in the block, all of brick construction, but not protected by fire walls. They were the R. L. Johnson & Co., furniture store, Brammal Bros. cafe and grocery and Faulkner's grocery store.

An entire population of the town turned out to fight the fire and by hard work they prevented the entire business section of the town from being destroyed.—Ex.

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WELL-KNOWN FIANCIER TO MAKE HOME HERE

E. A. Grimes, formerly head of the farm loan department of the Mercantile Trust Company of St. Louis and for a short time connected with the State Treasury Department in Jefferson City, at present in charge of the sale and disposition of the Donaldson estate lands of near Advance, has removed his family to this city from St. Louis. The family are at present occupying rooms at the Pott residence, corner of Themis and Pacific streets.

Mr. Grimes will devote his entire time to the Donaldson estate lands and removed to this city in order to be near his work. They will probably make Cape Girardeau their home.—Cape Sun.

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HOME-TANNED HIDES GIVE FARMERS UNCERTAIN PROFIT

Apparently it doesn't pay the farmer to tan his own leather. The Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, is conducting leather-making experiments upon the scale to which the average farmer would have to adjust his work, and specialists say that the results obtained thus far do not warrant general practice. Good leather can be made in individual tanneries, but the results are too uncertain to give reliable profits.

The work was taken up by the department when it became evident that the farmers were feeling the injustice of a transaction wherein they sold a whole cow hide for less than they paid out for a pair of work shoes. An occurrence not at all unusual. Investigation shows that the leather dealer is not entirely to blame for the low prices that the farmer receives for his hides. Too often the hide from the farm cow is taken off in a careless manner that leaves the skin full of cuts and holes—farm hides are never as uniform as those bought from the packing houses, where the animals are carefully graded and the skins removed by expert skinners. For that reason the hide buyer is always willing to pay more for the packer's product than he can offer the farmer.

Then, too, the farmer sells his cowhide to the junk dealer, who deducts his profit from the price he pays. Whenever it is possible to collect a number of hides and skins it will pay the owner to deal directly with a large dealer, the specialists say.

The Armenian tongue, however much it has changed in the course of centuries, is descended from the language that Priam and Hector spoke, says Ernest P. Horowitz, writing in Asia. The Armenian hail, like the Homeric Trojans, from Thrace, which subsequently became incorporated in the Byzantine or eastern Roman empire. Erzerum, capital of Armenia, has retained the deathless name of Rome. It was founded in the year 415, by Theodosius, a sebastos, that is emperor of eastern Rome. He called it Theodosiopolis, but its native name is Erzerum, or "Armenian Rome."

King John did not actually sign the Magna Charta, as is often stated. What he did was to affix his seal to the document. He was unable to write even his own name.

Fear Two Whites Were Eaten

Brisbane, Australia, Oct. 18.—It is reported from New Guinea that two white men and 10 native carriers are missing and are believed to have been killed and eaten by the natives on the Fly River.

The missing men were hunting birds of paradise in Dutch New Guinea. A searching party reported that on visiting a native village on the Fly River the villagers fled. Some booklets stained with blood, a photograph, some clothes and other evidences of the white men were found.

NOTICE

On and after November 5th, 1920 ice will be delivered by phone call only. Call 28.—Missouri Public Utilities Co.

Millions for a New Stomach

One of the greatest American millionaires said to his physician, "A million dollars, Doctor, spot cash and no grumbling, for a new stomach," and then the sick man gazed and turned away. All his wealth could not make him happy or contented, for happiness largely depends upon digestion. Without health where does happiness come in? After all the stomach plays a great part in everyday life. Without a healthy stomach and good digestion our blood is thin, watery and poor, our heart action is weak, our liver does not do its duty, and man is miserable and unhappy. Prevent disease by putting the house in order and strengthening the system against the germs of disease.

Dr. Pierce, of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., years ago understood diseases and their prevention, and he discovered certain roots and herbs which were nature's remedies, and succeeded in putting them up in a form that could be easily prepared at the drug store (liquid or tablets). This he called Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This Discovery gives no false stimulation because it contains no alcohol or any narcotic. It helps digestion and the assimilation of such elements in the food as are required for the blood. It gives to the blood the food elements the tissues require. For over fifty years it has enjoyed the confidence of the American public. Try it now!

CHURCH ASKS BAN ON SUNDAY TRAINS

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 15.—If the Congress of the United States grants the request of the members of the North Alabama Methodist Conference, the present prohibition blanket now covering the country will have all the aspects of a wide open regime.

At the regular session of the conference a resolution was unanimously passed requesting a national law prohibiting Sunday trains, the publication of Sunday newspapers and the blocking of all interstate traffic, including the mails. The resolution also asked that the law include a compulsory clause that every working man be given an opportunity to "observe Sunday as a day of rest and prayer." This latter clause is taken to mean that the conference indorses the idea that all business stop on the Sabbath, regardless of its character.

Noah W. Cooper of Nashville, Tenn., who is boosting the crusade for a national anti-Sunday industrial law, addressed the conference and stated that many other conferences had already passed similar resolutions and that unless this law was enacted and enforced the American nation soon would follow the paths of Israel and Prussia, which lead to destruction. His appeal was impassioned and, as a result, the resolution, which places the "blue laws" of the most temperate state into the liberal column, was introduced and passed.

At the far top of the kiln, at the famous pottery works of King Techel, China, and in the chimney are holes a foot square, into which a man, who acts as a human thermometer, looks to determine the heat, says John Knight Shyrock, writing in Asia. His method is simple. He spits into the hole, and, if the spit burns to steam the temperature is not sufficient. When the heat is so great that the saliva is shot back at him with a little explosion, everything is all right.

The common barberry, once a familiar shrub in all parts of the North-eastern and Central Western States, is being eradicated through the efforts of the United States Department of Agriculture, which found that the shrub was an enemy of wheat in that it harbored rust spores during the winter. An eradication campaign is being carried on in 13 States.

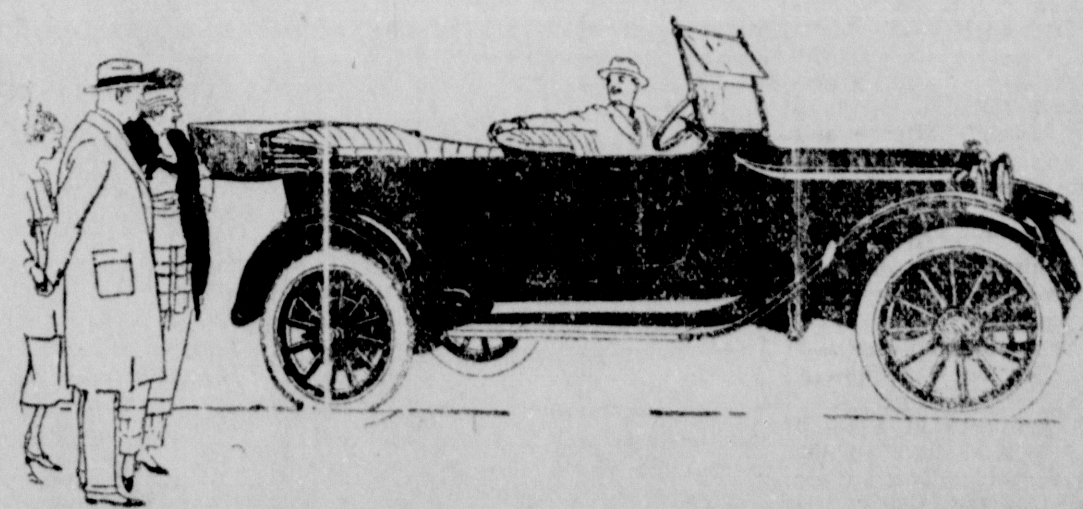
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JEAN'S TEA ROOM

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Jean Webb leaned against the gate post and looked up at the quaint old house where she had been born, and which was the birthplace of her mother and her grandmother. The three of them lived alone there with a tiny income from Jean's school teaching, with the old house almost falling down for need of repairs, and with a tangled old garden which had no one to take care of it.

Grandmother was old and feeble and Mrs. Webb was not strong. When Jean came home from teaching her sturdy youngsters she was tired and there was always housework to do, so the old house and garden were neglected.

"If I could only sell it," sighed Jean, "for a good sum of money, then—" she smiled and brushed away a tear, "then mother and grandmother would die of homesickness! Well, we'll keep it—somehow, all together!"

She turned as a motorcar slowed at the gate. A smartly uniformed chauffeur touched his cap and opened the door of the car.

An elderly woman with gray hair and soft appealing eyes smiled graciously on the slender girl at the gate.

"I beg your pardon—can you tell me if there is a tea room nearby?" she queried. "We have had a breakdown and it is long past luncheon hour."

Jean hesitated. With the woman's question an idea flashed into her head—perhaps this was the answer to her prayers—this might be the golden opportunity knocking at her gate. If there was a demand for tea rooms—why not supply it?

In a few moments three ladies were sitting in the comfortable chairs in the green gloom of the honeysuckle vines, exclaiming over the roses that Jean brought them and the pure chaffs of the fragrant day lilies. Then Jean disappeared for a period to return with pink slices of ham laid on crisp lettuce leaves, delicious balls of cream cheese, a pot of home-made jam, a simple salad and dainty bread and butter sandwiches—these and a pot of tea Jean placed before the ladies and then went away and left them alone.

When she came back they were so generous in their praise of the unexpected hospitality—so eager for Jean to open a tea room there.

"You are so near the post road, my dear—all you need is a few tables on the veranda and your own beautiful things—your cooking is delicious—let me have a sign painted for you!" urged Mrs. Delbridge, the owner of the car and the hostess of the party.

"You are too kind," protested Jean.

"I shall send my son out next week and I may come with him—it is vacation now and you will have plenty of time. Beware! We shall send all our friends!" They laughingly drove away, their arms full of flowers, and it was not until they had disappeared that Jean remembered that they had not asked for a check and she had not thought to charge them!

"A poor business woman am I," she murmured wryly as she cleared the table. Then she found a five-dollar bill pinned to the damask cloth and she danced into the house waving it exultantly.

"Exit Jean the schoolma'am and enter Jean the keeper of the tea shop—and weeder of her garden once more. Hurrah!"

A week later a small gray car stopped at the gate and Jean, who was enthusiastically weeding the gravelled walk between the rows of fragrant boxwood, thought of her grubby fingers and mused blue frock. "It must be Mrs. Delbridge's son," she thought as she went to the gate. In one hand he carried two rustic swinging signs and with the other he uncovered his handsome head.

"Is this the Wayside tea room?" he asked with twinkling eyes.

"Why—no—" hesitated Jean.

"I am afraid it is—or it is going to be!" He grinned as he displayed the signs.

Sure enough—framed in rustic were the magic words: "THE WAYSIDE TEA ROOM," and one corner of the sign was lengthened into a pointing finger.

"How kind of Mrs. Delbridge," cried Jean ecstatically.

"One is for your veranda and the other to hang from some tree down the road—a guide. Mother said you would know the tree."

"The old locust at the corner," explained Jean.

"I will hang it for you," declared Phil Delbridge, and from the tool kit in the car he brought the necessary tools and presently the quaint sign was swinging in the soft wind. Afterward Phil hung the other sign over the front while Mrs. Webb and Jean prepared a high tea in the veranda. There was fresh strawberry shortcake and plenty of cream and other delicious viands, for the Webbs were famous housewives.

Phil lingered on the front steps with Jean. A whippoorwill was singing in the orchard and the roses were heavy with fragrance.

"I shall come again—and again—" promised Phil, releasing Jean's fluttering fingers.

"Do come," said Jean in a small voice; and her tone might have discouraged Phil Delbridge had he not read her eyes. He felt that while Jean's tea room might be the beginning of the story, the ending of the story must come only when beautiful Jean belonged to him.

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Winter Wheat Acreage.

At harvest time, 1920, the Missouri outlook was for an increased acreage of wheat. "Wheat" in Missouri always means "winter wheat" unless otherwise indicated, for "spring wheat" is not common in this state.

Following on the trail of the beginning of harvest the price of wheat began dropping, and kept on going down below the cost of production. This disheartened and discouraged many Missouri farmers, and not all of the ground plowed or disced for wheat has been sown.

The Missouri State Board of Agriculture, co-operating with the United States Department of Agriculture, has had printed 60,000 special copies of the "Missouri Special Wheat Seeding Inquiry, 1920", which are now being mailed to sixty thousand farmers. To each farmer is also sent a franked return envelope free of postage for reply.

This "special inquiry", addressed to practically one-half as many farmers as there are wheat growers in the state, is for the purpose of making sure on the acreage of fall seeding of wheat this year. If we had to pay cash postage the bill would be \$2,400 for stamps alone. The rye acreage is also asked. Each farmer is requested to report his average yield of wheat at the last harvest, also what his corn is turning out per acre. This

wide inquiry will make the 1920 crop statistics more strictly exact than ever before, when combined with the local assessors' report on every farm in this state.

In considering the crops reports and farm statistics of Missouri the business man and agriculturist should remember that these facts and figures are "farmer-made."

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Peal plan to leave the 25, Thanksgiving Day, for their winter home in Plant City, Florida.


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ROUTE ONE

Miss Vivian Johnson, Misses Ruth and Pearl Allard spent Sunday with Miss Verna Thomas.

Miss Ella Wright returned home from the hospital at St. Louis Thursday morning.

J. P. Johnson and Marion are with the pea huller at Brooks Junction this week.

Misses Ella and Myrtle Wright spent Sunday afternoon with Misses Daphne and Wilma Randolph.

Relatives from Tennessee are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lewis. Miss Lucille Sutton spent Sunday with Miss Velma Johnson.

Lloyd Sutton spent Sunday with Glenn Johnson.

After rhubarb has been planted four or five years the stalks become so thick that they are too small to sell well. It is then best to dig up the roots and divide into pieces of two or three eyes each, which is enough for one hill, and start a new patch. Another good way is to dig up all the hill but a little corner which is left undisturbed, then fill the hole from which the roots were taken with well rotted manure and cover that with earth. The piece of root left in the ground will make a surprising growth the same season.

GERMANY MUST PAY OFF BEFORE JOINING LEAGUE

Paris, Nov. 12.—A definite agreement concerning the procedure to be followed with regard to the reparations due by Germany was reached today between the French and British governments. The agreement calls for a meeting at Brussels of allied technical experts with the Germans, and a so a meeting of the allied premiers in Geneva in the first half of February, to discuss the total amount due and Germany's capacity for payment.

The French government is unalterably opposed to the admission of Germany to the league of nations, at this time, it was stated at the foreign office today. Some "drastic action" would be a consequence if the league voted to admit Germany, it was intimated.

The foreign office said that there had been conversations with Great Britain on the subject, and that the British, who had been inclined to favor German membership in the league, now has accepted the French viewpoint.

The French hold that Germany must prove her intent to fulfill the terms of the treaty and live peaceably with her neighbors before seeking membership to the league. The possibility of the admission of Austria and Bulgaria is regarded in a

different light by the French. Germany has not yet applied for membership.

AMERICAN GIFT OF 700 COWS REACHES GERMANY

Berlin, November 13.—Seven hundred Holstein cows, comprising the first consignment of milch cows, donated by Americans to Germany, arrived in Hamburg today, where they have been quarantined pending action by the American donors and German officials who will determine their final destination.

An American dairy cattle company, which is supervising the gift enterprise and shipment of the cows, still retains title to them and has demanded assurances from the German government they will not be included in the cattle levy of the Allies.

German red tape is further complicating the situation in that various governmental departments, which claim the right to dispose of the American gift, have thus far been unable to arrive at a settlement of the question. Meanwhile the cows must remain in the cattle quarantine station at Hamburg until their disposition is finally determined.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Peal went Wednesday to Blodgett called there by the death of a friend and former neighbor.

BALES OF COTTON MAY GO TO GERMANY

Chicago, Nov. 16.—Cotton these days tells an interesting story. The textile industry is languishing in the United States. France and England, but is reviving in Germany.

Word came from Columbia, S. C., last night that the American Cotton Association is negotiating through the state department for the sale of 1,000,000 bales of cotton to German spinners. Earlier in the day the census bureau showed that during October cotton consumption in American mills fell to the lowest point in six years, a reflection of curtailed manufacturing, due to lack of orders by the mills.

A total of 399,827 bales was used by mills in the United States in October, which was 156,000 bales less than used during the same month last year. The drop for November will be greater, for already the mills of New England are running at only 40 per cent capacity, with prospects of curtailing still further unless orders come in.

France and England are almost in the same boat in regard to the textile industry, which means clothing. From Paris comes word that, although raw materials have gone down in price, most manufacturers see their looms idle for lack of spring orders. These are held back because jobbers have not disposed of their winter stocks—and up to a few weeks ago most of them held the theory that prices and profits would keep up for years, and refused to sell even at cost price let alone take a loss and restock on a new basis.

England has large stocks, accumulated when cotton cost twice as much as today and when wool was worth something on the market. Manchester reports that customers abroad who take three-fourths of the production know the market is falling and are holding back until prices come to root. Holders, on the other hand, say when buying starts again prices will stiffen, and few of them have been closing out the high priced stuff at forced values.

It's a "freeze out" game that is stirring loud complaint, for it causes business slackness and unemployment and delays readjustment.

Berlin reports the German textile business improving. Some spinning mills and weaving shops are again working full time. The improvement is attributed to the purchase of winter supplies, a coming reduction in the export levy, and above all, to the great depreciation of the German mark, which facilitates exports. The great drop in exchange makes it hard for Germany to buy raw materials, but on the other hand, when it comes to selling the manufactured product, it gives the foreign buyer an inducement to purchase.

American exporters are discovering this for instance in Argentina, where the exchange rate is enabling British and German exporters to get business which had been placed in American order books before Argentine exchange took a drop.

EMPLOYEES OF U.S. TO DO LESS TALKING

Washington, Nov. 16.—Hereafter any laborer employed in the State, War and Navy Department building who talks to anyone during his working hours except regarding official business will be penalized. The superintendent of the building today formally notified the workers employed there that they must confine their conversations entirely to official business, which "must be proven to be official business in each case."

The penalty for the first infraction of the rule was fixed at the loss of one day's pay and for the subsequent offenses such punishment as the circumstances warrant.

"DISCOVER" NEW HARD WHEAT.

Has Been Successfully Grown Near 66th Parallel.

Winnipeg, Nov. 15.—A "farthest North" wheat, designated as "No. 10", which has been grown with success at the sixty-sixth parallel—"higher up" on the globe than any wheat ever before was raised—has been "discovered" by the husbandry department of the Manitoba Agricultural college. It was announced here today. The new variety was said to be a cross breed of Manitoba and Australian wheats, and harder than other grades.

Surgeons declare that they are never busy in the operating rooms on the 13th day of any month.

Seventy-two enormous grain elevators are to be built in British South Africa.

The best hot chocolate in town at Dudley's.